



ADVISOR and the Digital Functional Vehicle Process for Analysis of HEVs

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Outline

- Background and Capabilities of ADVISOR
- Demonstration of ADVISOR 3.2
- Optimization of a Fuel Cell SUV
- Digital Functional Vehicle
- Bonus: Thermal Effects on Batteries



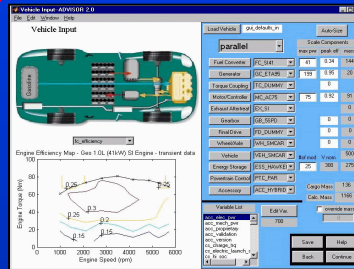
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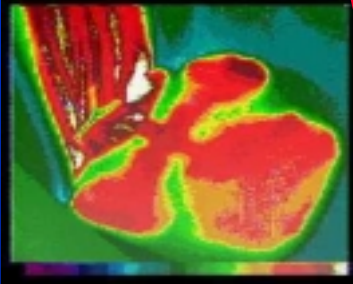
Hybrid Electric Vehicle Program at NREL Involves 3 Main Areas of Emphasis

ADVISOR

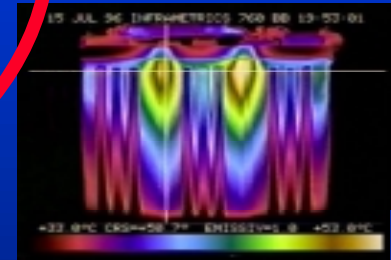
Digital Functional Vehicle



Vehicle Systems Analysis



Vehicle Auxiliary
Load Reduction



Battery Thermal
Management

Big 3 Partnership
HV program: 55 mpg
PNGV: 80 mpg goal

DaimlerChrysler



Ford



GM

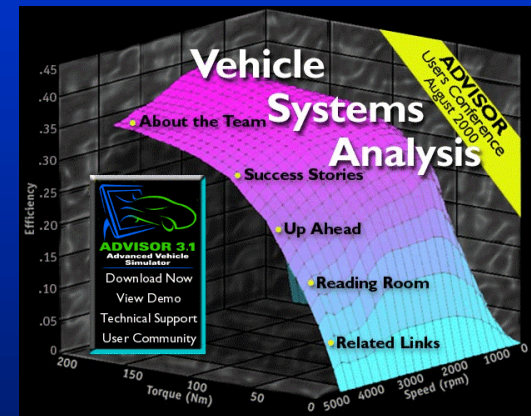


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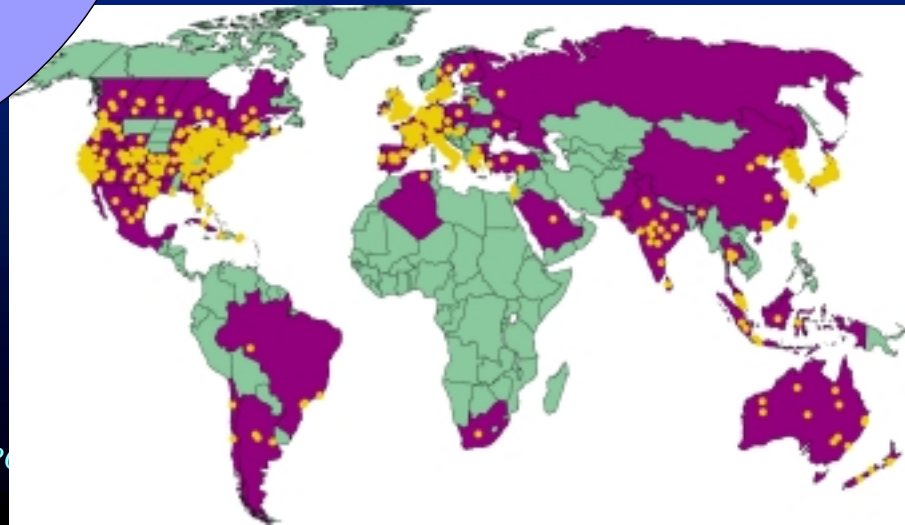
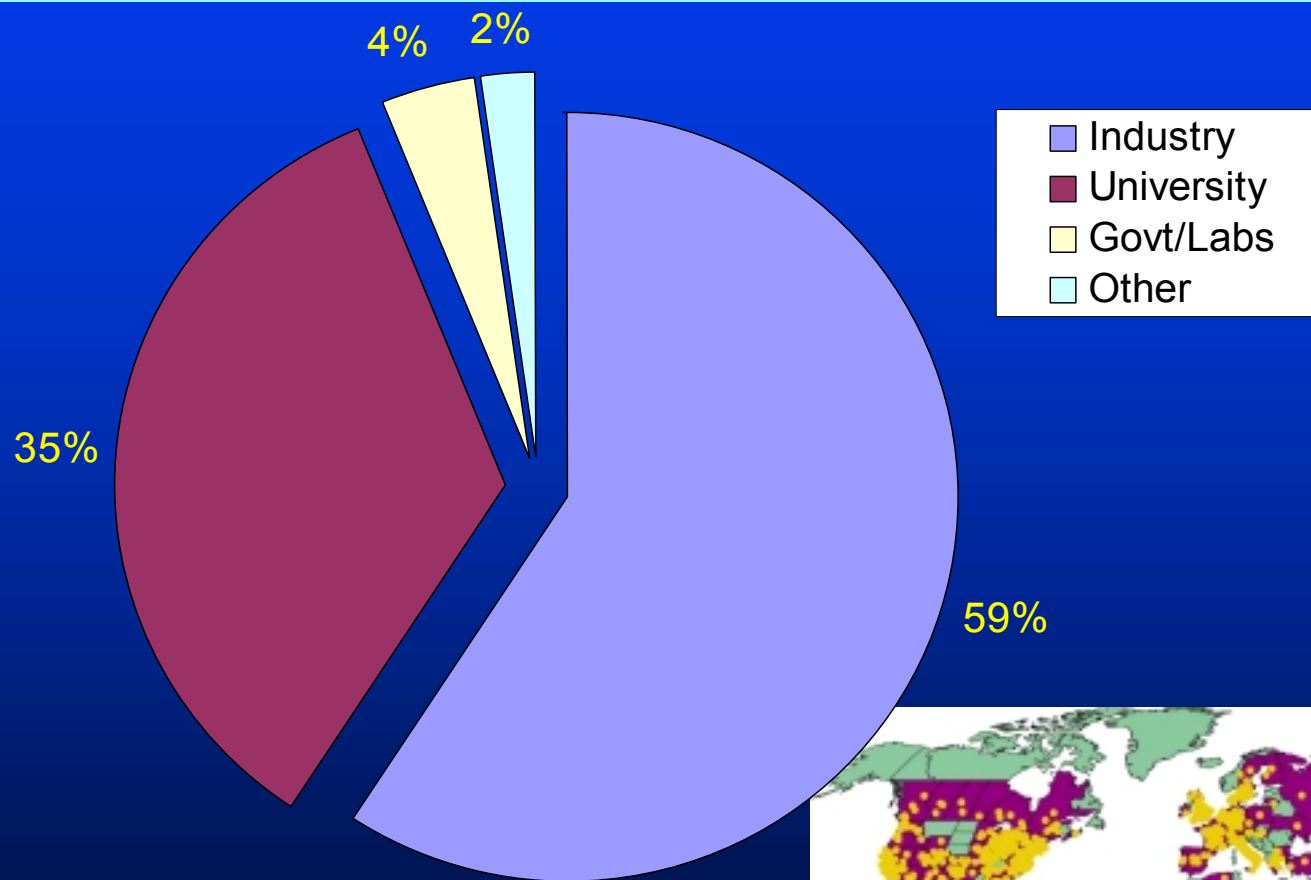
Background on ADVISOR

- ADVISOR = ADvanced Vehicle SimulatOR
 - simulates conventional, electric, or hybrid vehicles (series, parallel, or fuel cell)
- ADVISOR was created in 1994 to support DOE Hybrid Program at NREL
- Released on vehicle systems analysis web site for free download in September, 1998
- Downloaded by over 3700 people around world
- Users help provide component data and validation, feedback for future development



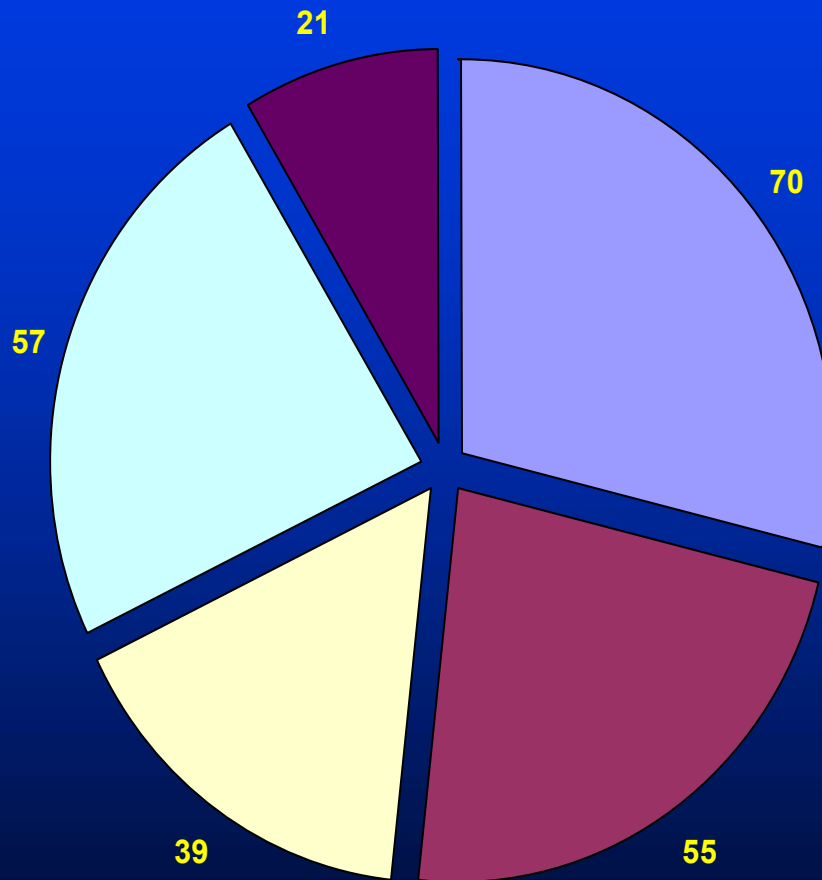
ADVISOR Being Used Globally by >3700 Users

Significant ADVISOR Usage by Industry



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The US Auto Industry is Using ADVISOR and has a Major Investment in its Usage



- Ford Motor Company
- DaimlerChrysler Corporation
- General Motors
- Visteon
- Delphi Automotive Systems



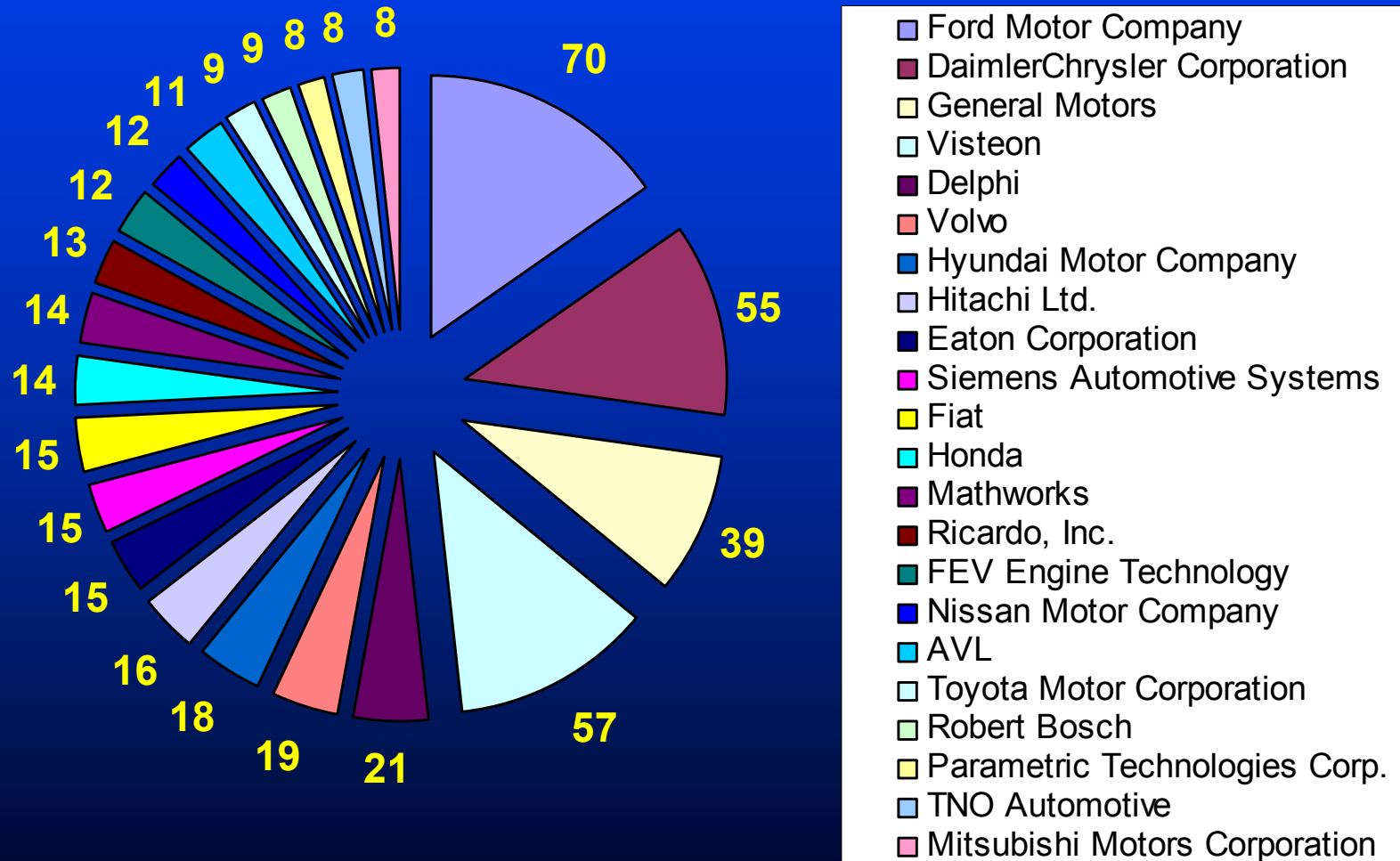
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All Major OEMs and Suppliers Have Spent Some Time with ADVISOR



Legend includes organizations with 8 or more users

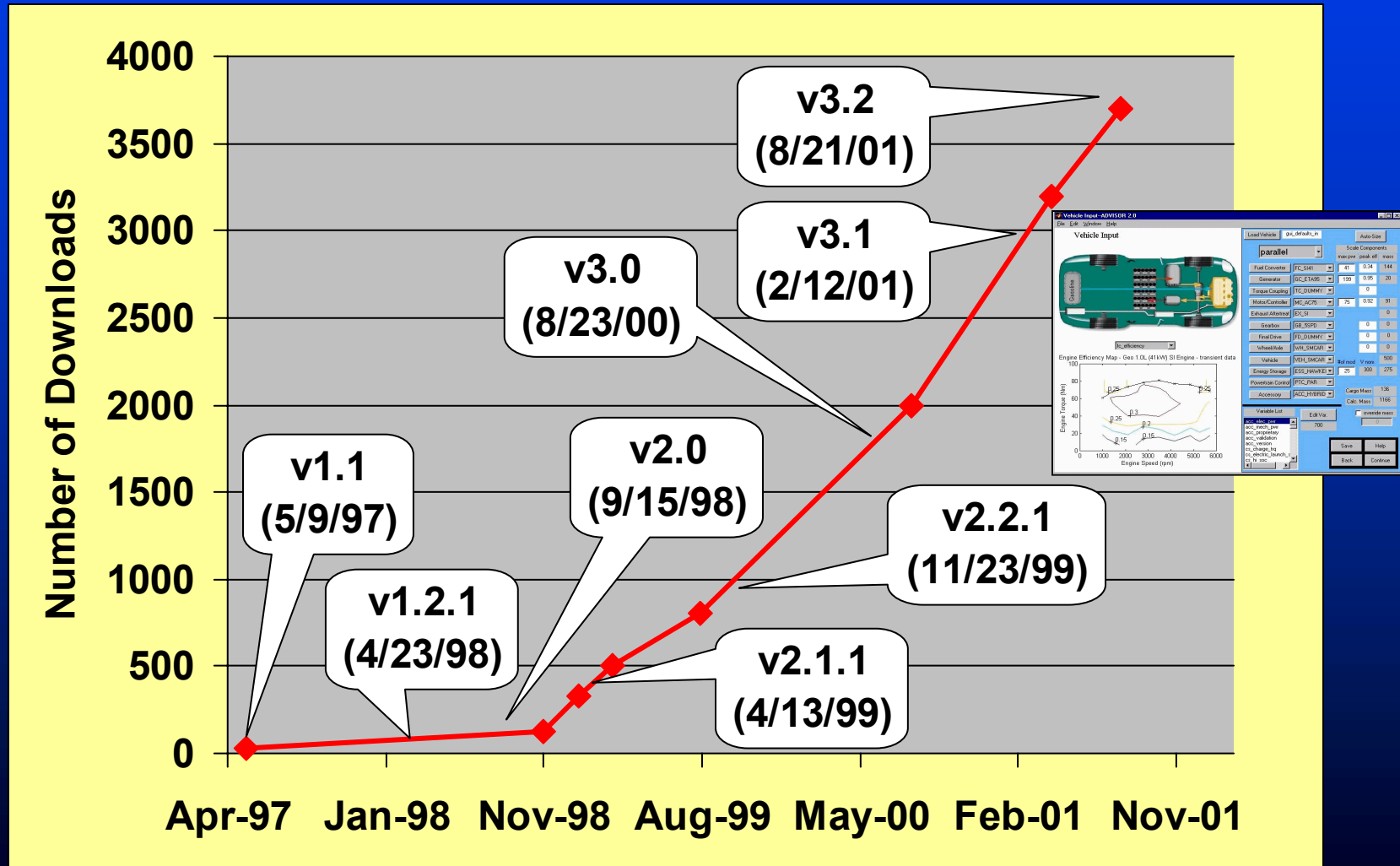
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Total Number of ADVISOR Users Continues to Grow at a Steady Rate

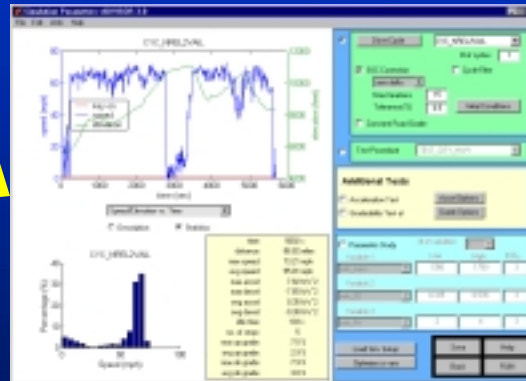


Three Main ADVISOR Screens (Roadmap)

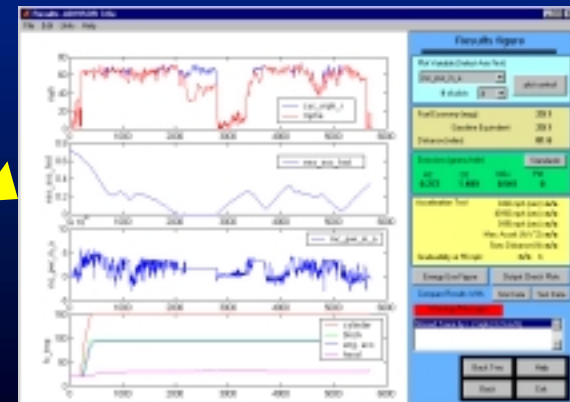
Vehicle Input



Simulation Setup



Results



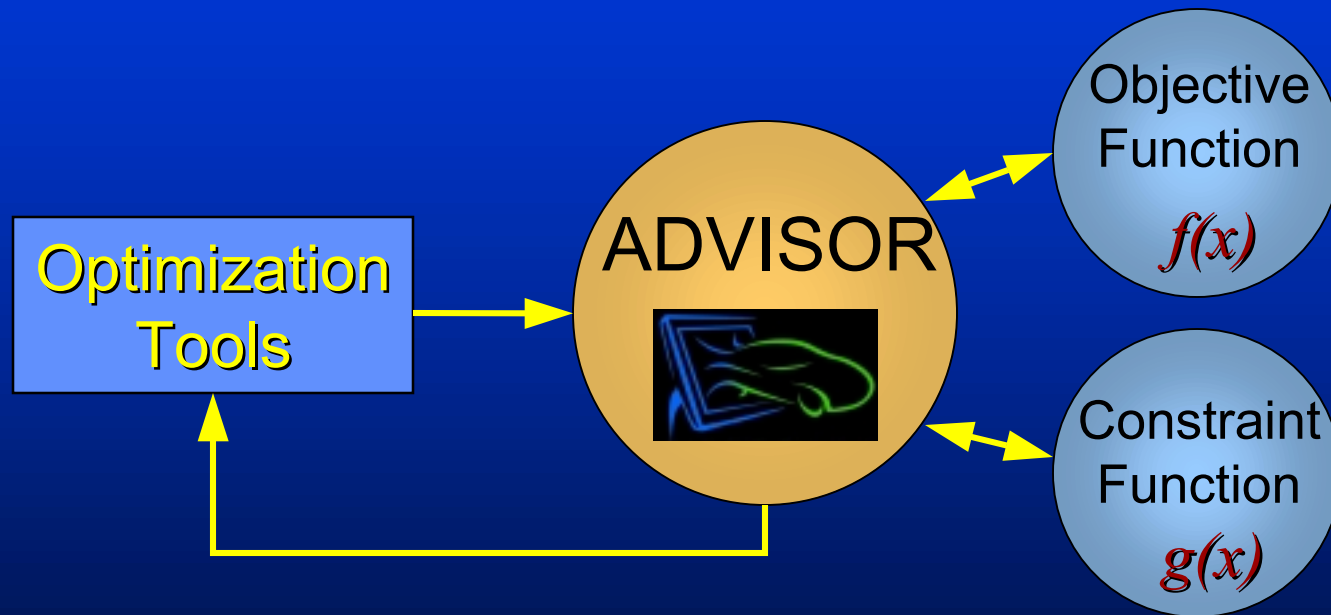
ADVISOR Demonstration



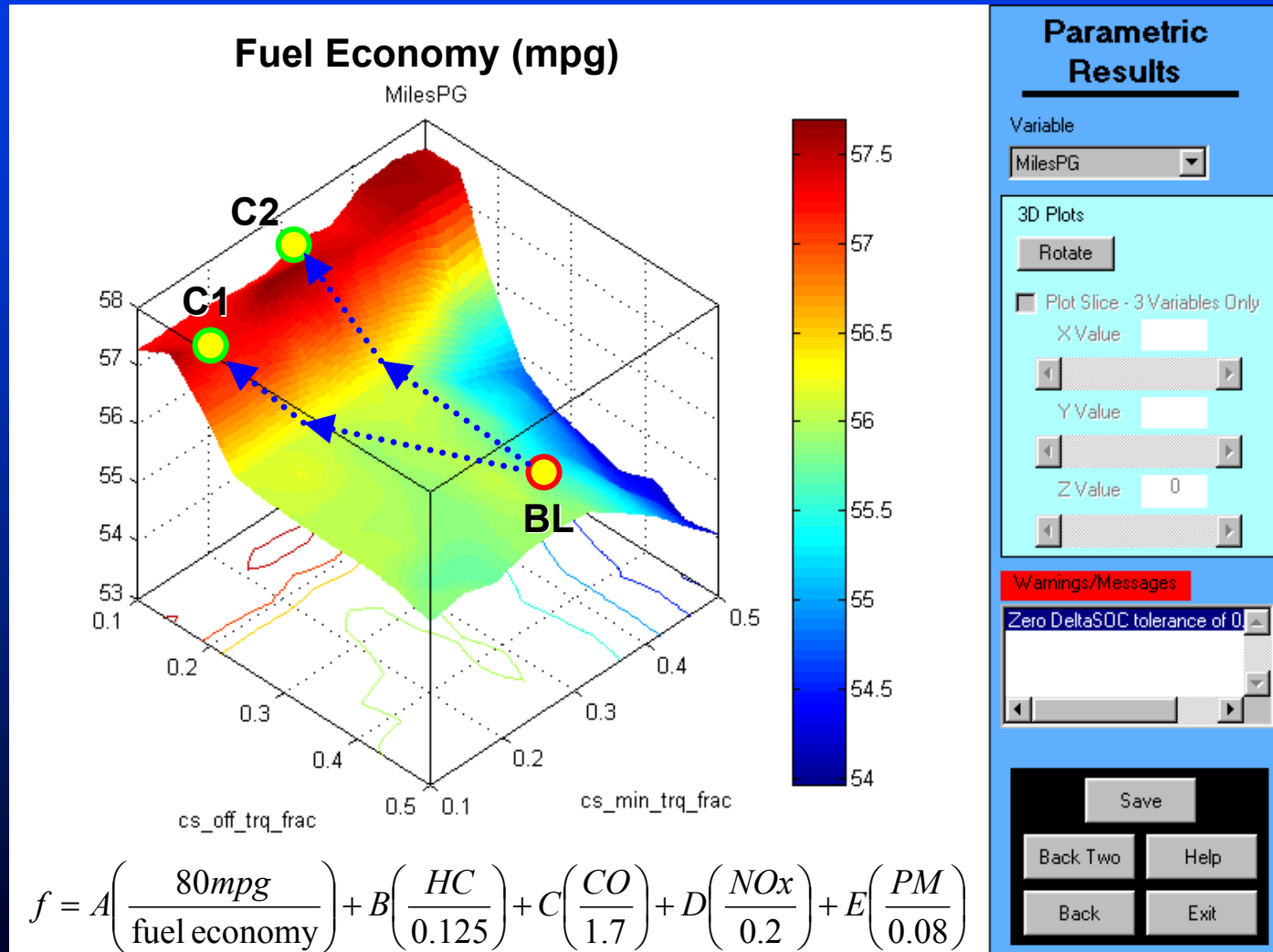
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Using ADVISOR in an Optimization Loop



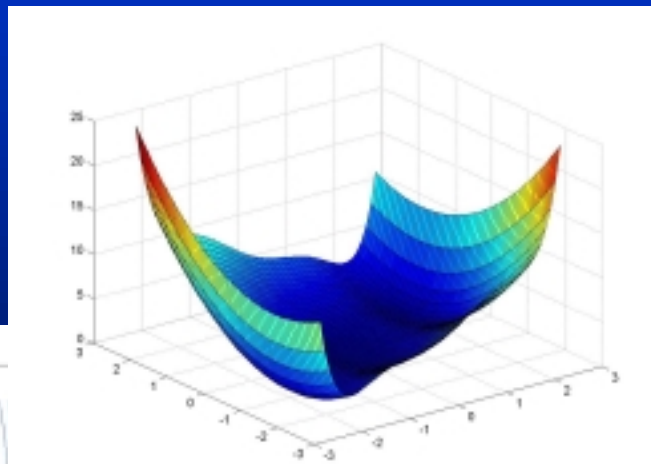
Optimization Allows Complex Trade-Offs to be Performed Numerically



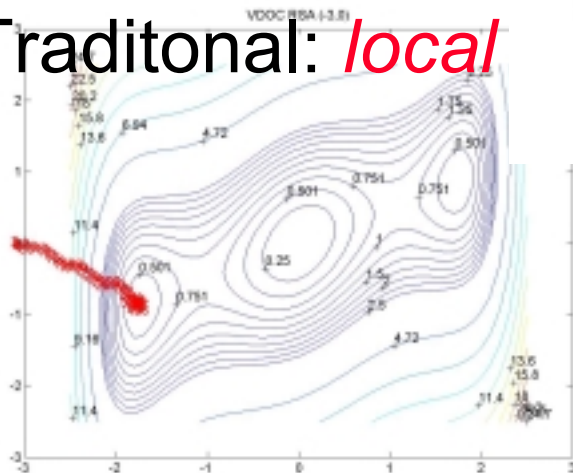
Applying Optimization Techniques

Example: *Fuel Cell Hybrid SUV*

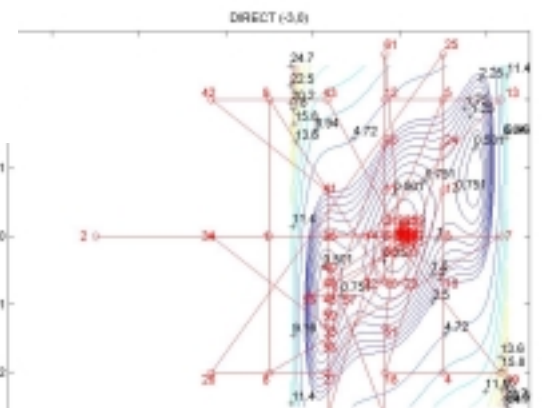
- Maximize fuel economy of Fuel Cell Hybrid SUV
- Coupling of sizing with control strategy leads to improved solution (56.5 mpgge, up from starting point of 41 mpgge)
- Multiple local optimums in HEV design space



Traditional: *local*

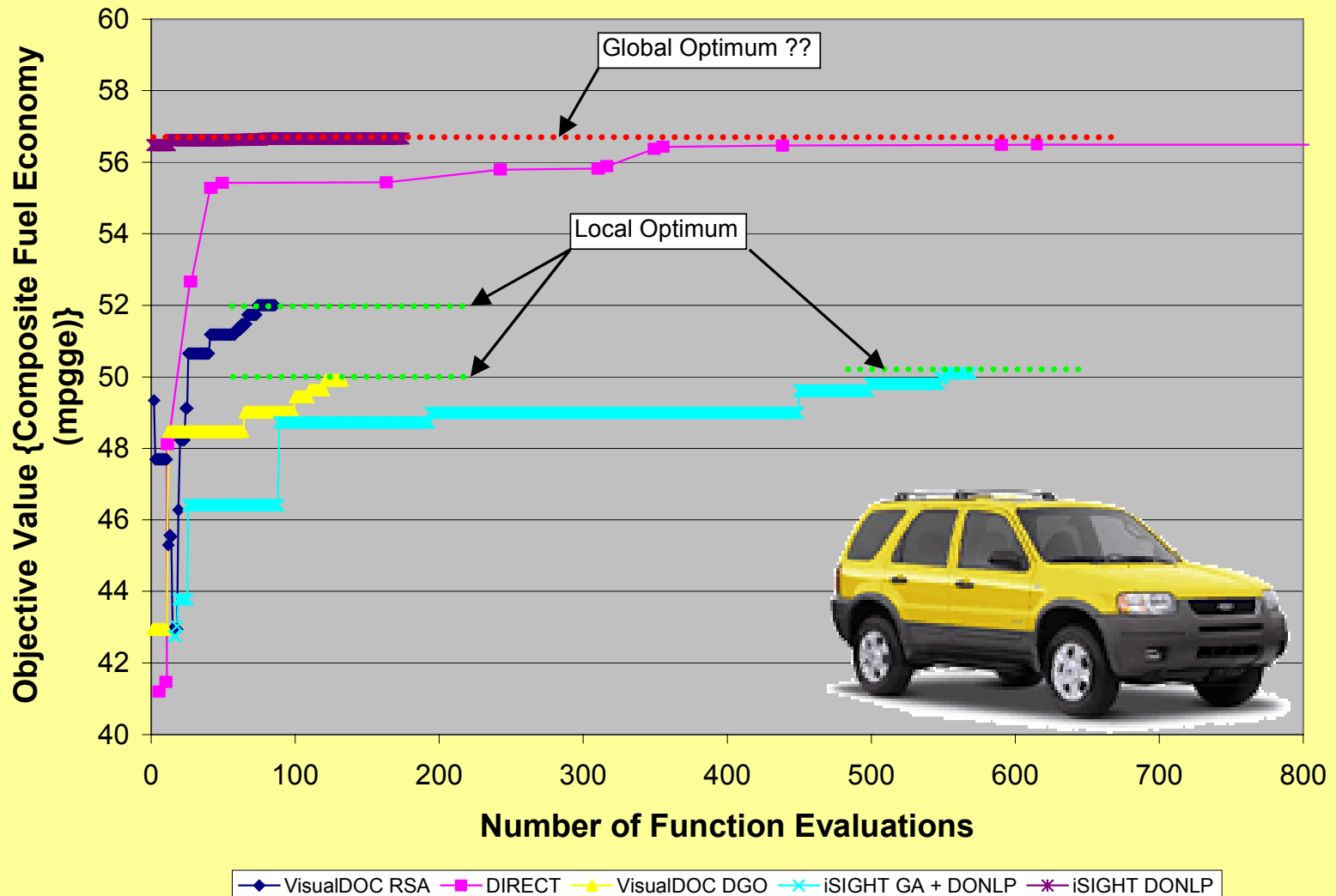


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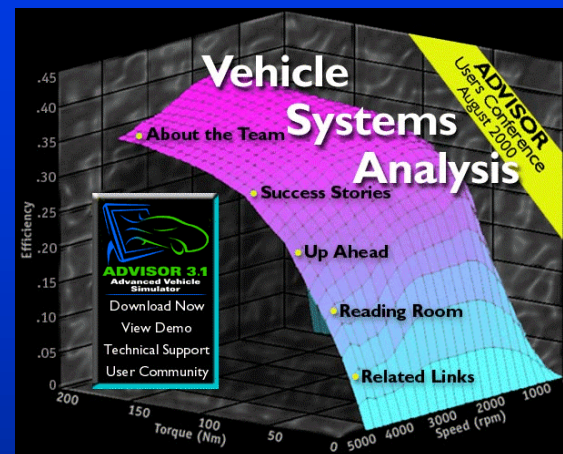
Non-traditional: *global*

Complex Design Space of Hybrid Fuel Cell Vehicles Has Local Optimum, and Requires Multi-algorithm Approach to Find Global Solution



ADVISOR Availability on Web

- NREL's Vehicle Systems Analysis web site launched in September 1998
- ADVISOR 3.2 available for free after filling out simple form
- 'Forum' has bulletin area for questions to be answered and files to be shared
- Documentation viewable from web site
- Reading room has all papers and presentations from team
- www.nrel.gov/transportation/analysis



Clockwise: Ken Kelly, Sam Sprik, Keith Wipke, Tony Markel, Valerie Johnson, Aaron Brooker, Terry Hendricks



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Digital Functional Vehicle

What is it?

A collection of integrated software modeling **tools and processes** that enable the evaluation, design and optimization of new energy saving automotive technologies such as HEVs and Fuel Cells.

Why?

NREL and their automotive industry partners work together to identify and **remove technical barriers** of these technologies.

What is new?

Simulation, modeling, safety and costing tools are readily available to the automotive industry. What is missing is a workable **synergy** between these tools to make them effective enablers of new technologies.

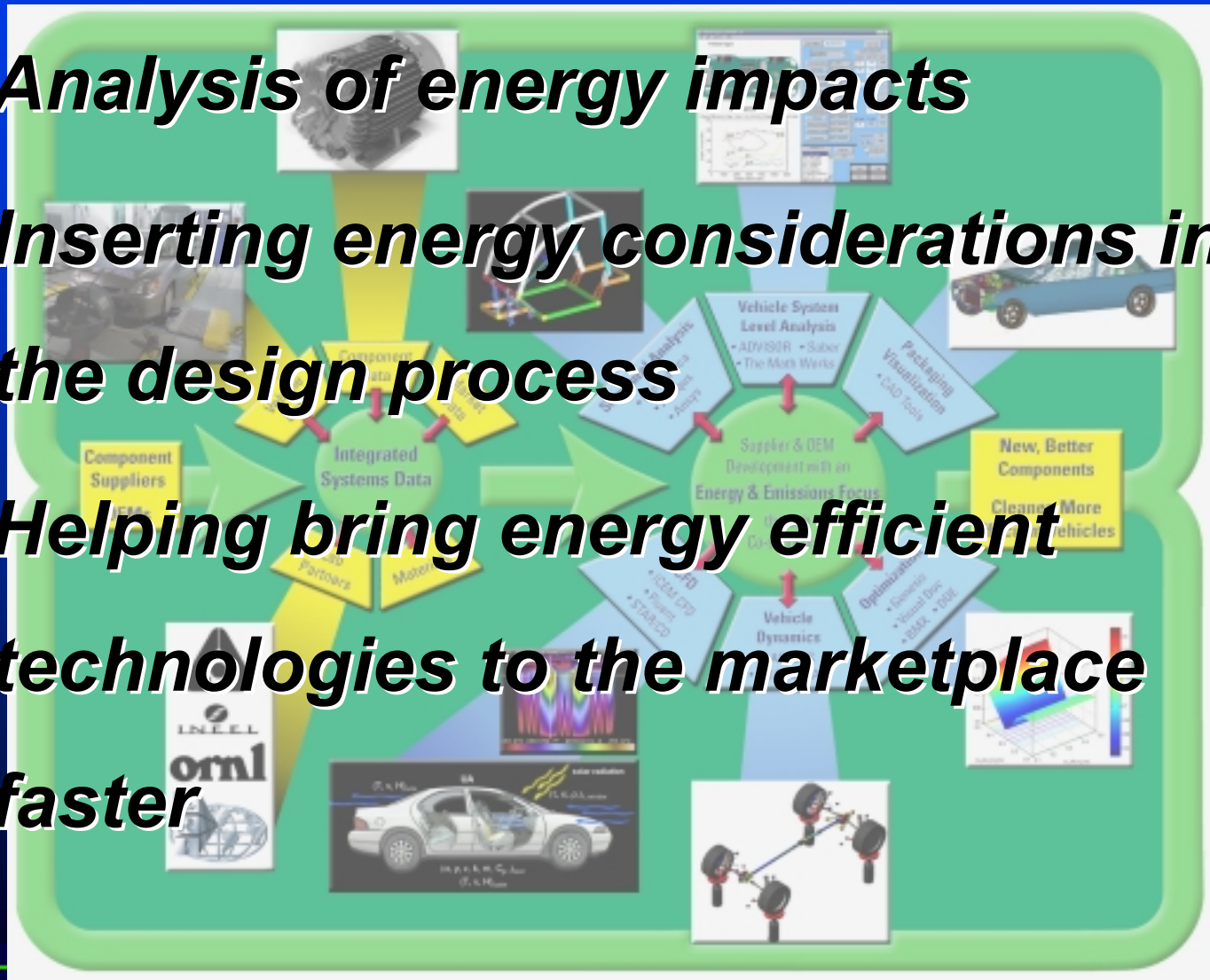


Vision: Digital Functional Vehicle Process



A vertical collage of 10 images illustrating the automotive engineering process. From top to bottom: 1. A 3D CAD model of a car chassis with a color-coded stress or temperature distribution. 2. A photograph of a small, white, two-seater electric car prototype. 3. A 3D CAD model of a car body with a color-coded stress or temperature distribution. 4. A photograph of a car body part, possibly a wheel arch, with a color-coded stress or temperature distribution. 5. A 3D CAD model of a car body with a color-coded stress or temperature distribution. 6. A photograph of a car body part, possibly a wheel arch, with a color-coded stress or temperature distribution. 7. A photograph of a car body part, possibly a wheel arch, with a color-coded stress or temperature distribution. 8. A photograph of a car body part, possibly a wheel arch, with a color-coded stress or temperature distribution. 9. A photograph of a car body part, possibly a wheel arch, with a color-coded stress or temperature distribution. 10. A photograph of a car body part, possibly a wheel arch, with a color-coded stress or temperature distribution.

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- A 3D CAD model of a four-wheeled mobile robot chassis. The model shows a central motor and gear assembly connected to four wheels via a series of gears and shafts. The chassis is constructed from various colored components, including a blue frame, red and green structural elements, and black wheels. The robot is shown from a perspective view, highlighting its symmetrical design and the central drive mechanism.



NREL Vehicle Systems Analysis Team's Industrial Partners

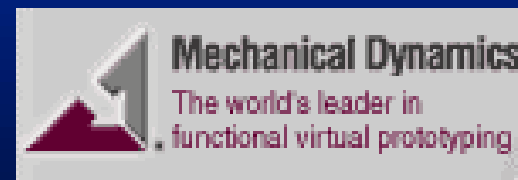
OEMs



Major Suppliers



Software Companies



(minimize custom coding; maximize usage by industry of resulting improvements)



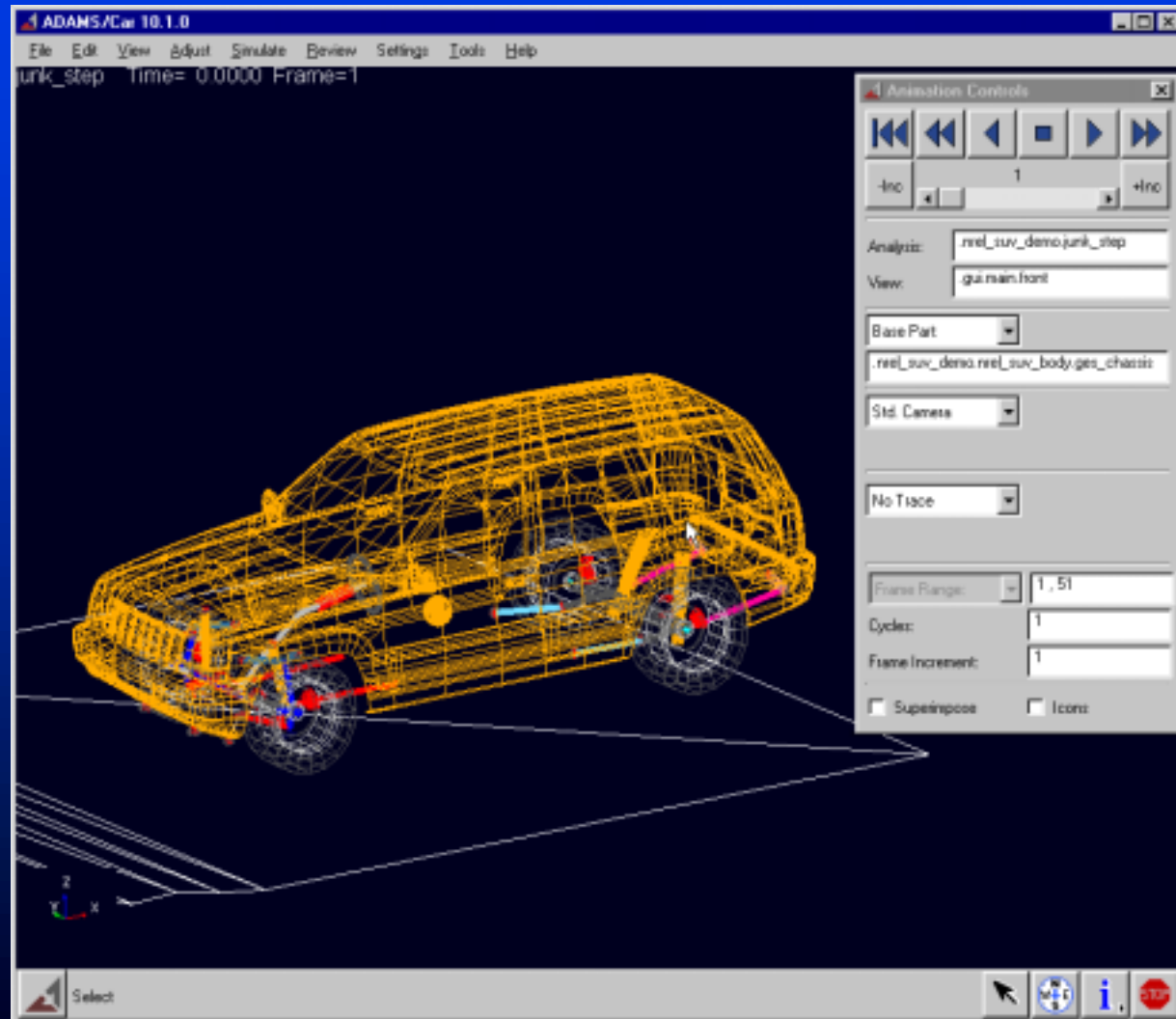
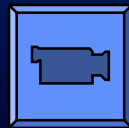
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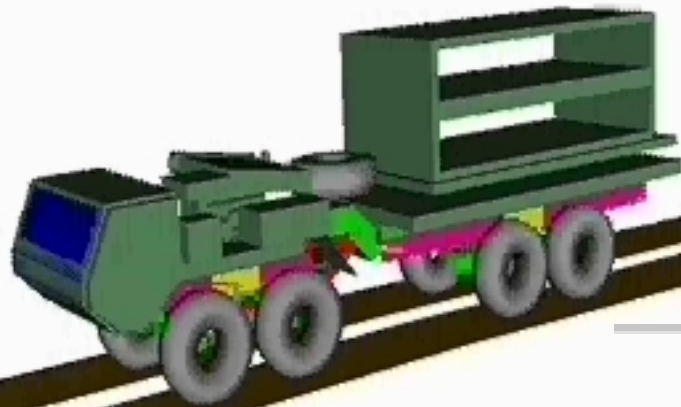
ADAMS/Car – ADVISOR Linkage

Enables Advanced Powertrains to be Simulated with any ADAMS/Car model

- ADVISOR Models:
 - Fuel Economy
 - Drive Train
- ADAMS/CAR Models:
 - Road Vehicle Contact
 - Suspension



This New Co-Simulation Enables Advanced Powertrains to be Simulated with any ADAMS/Car model



[Videos courtesy of MDI]



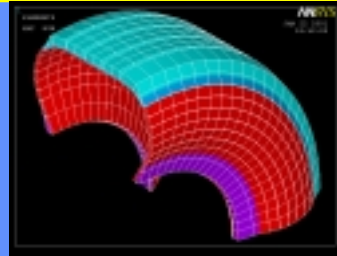
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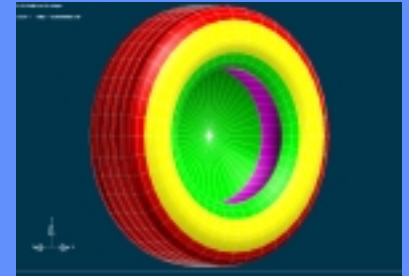
Need for Good Tire Model -- Tire Modeling at NREL

Industry Partner:
Major US OEM

NREL Parametric
Tire Data
(Geometric, Material,
Loading, Modeling)



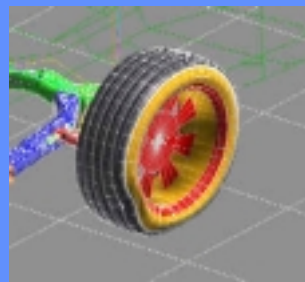
Parametric Solid Model



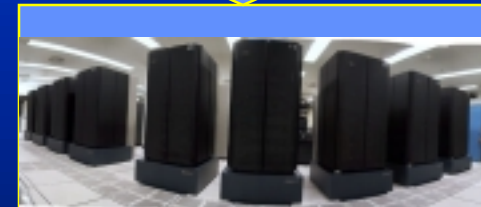
FEA Model

DOE

Optimization
Enrich -
Data Base



FEA Results



Execution at ORNL
Supercomputer

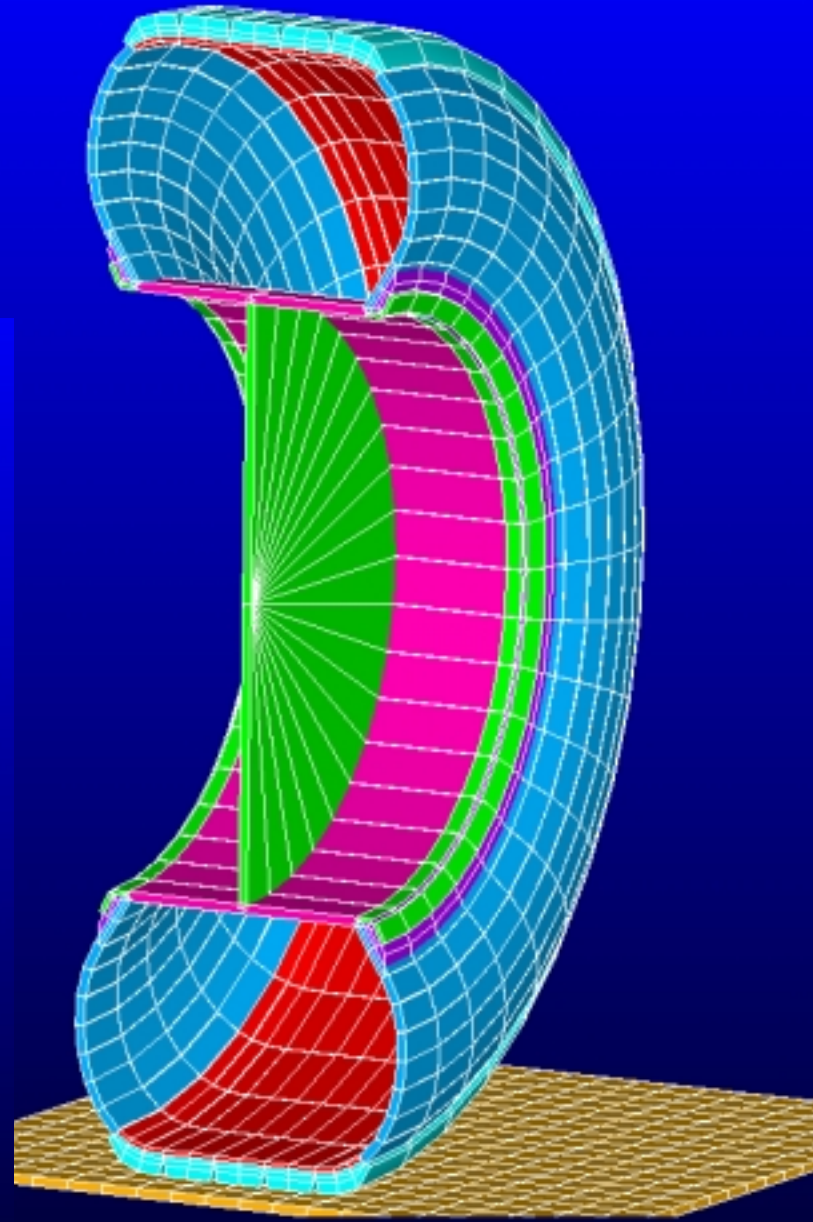
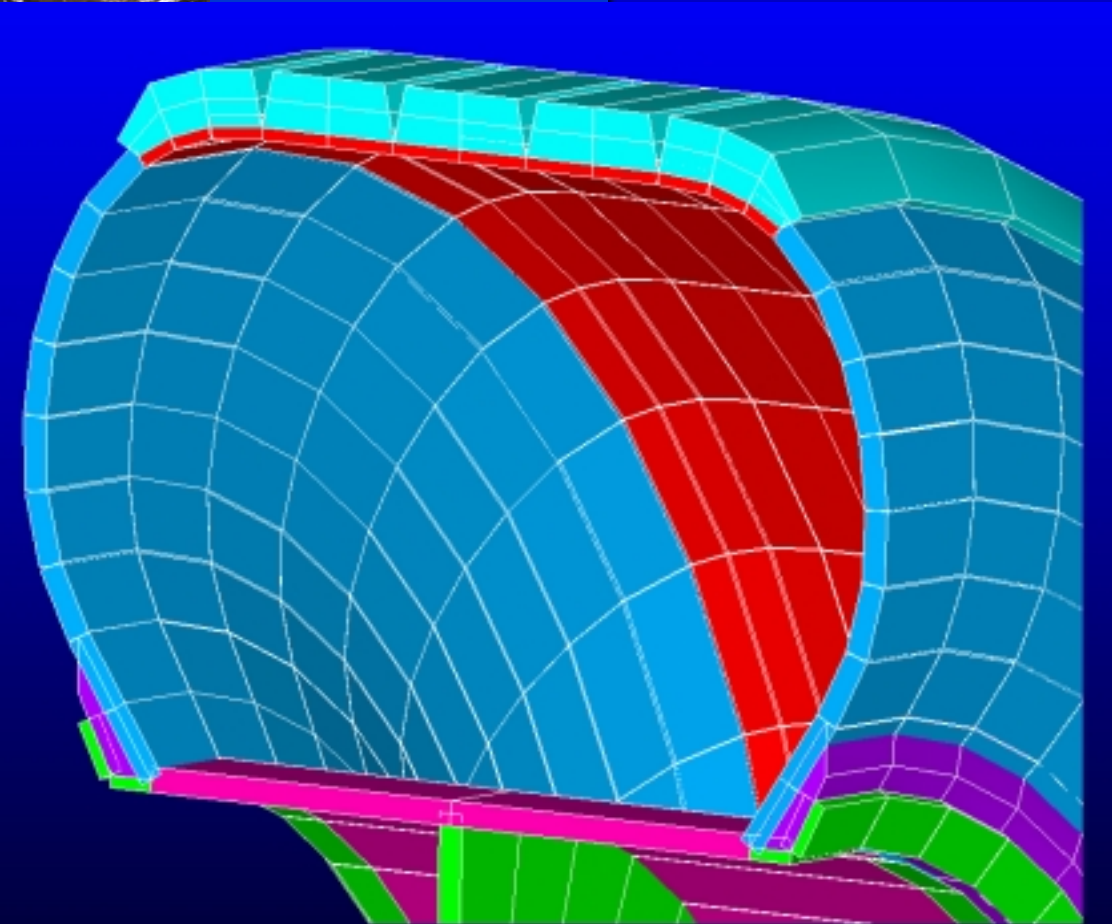
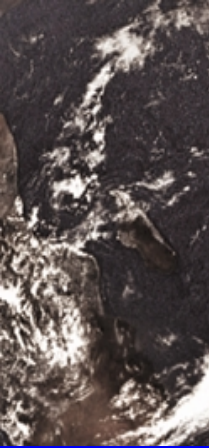
- Improving the loads prediction capability using an accurate tire model will assist in minimizing vehicle weight while creating durable vehicle structure



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Tire FEA 1/2 Model for Road Load Prediction

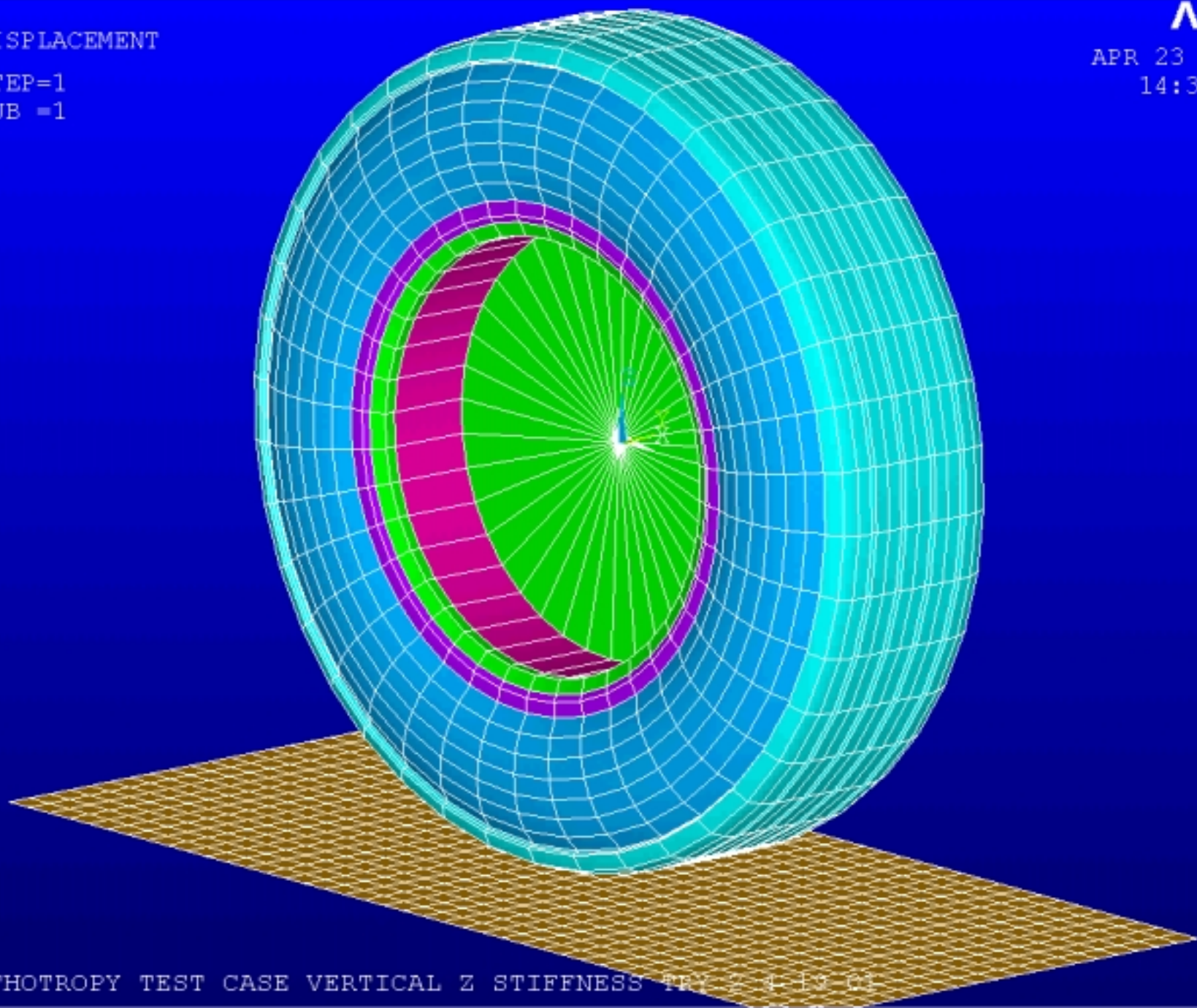


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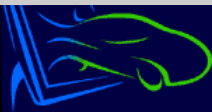
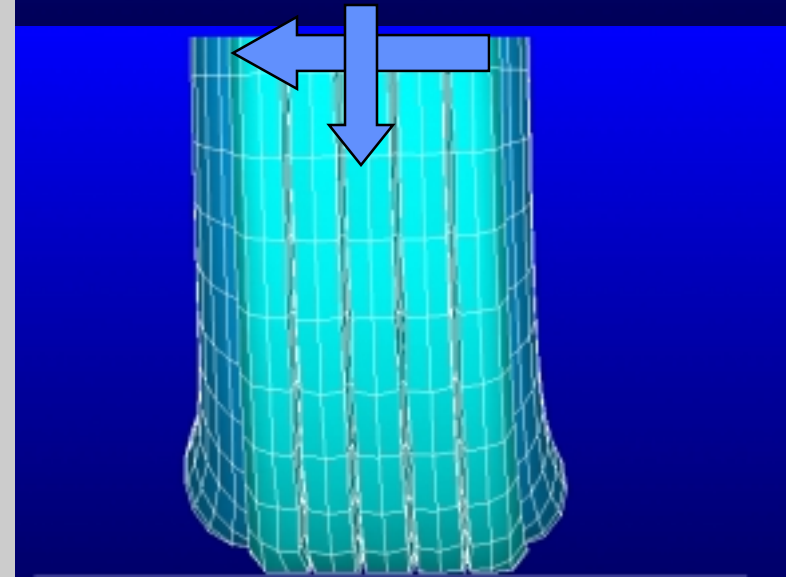
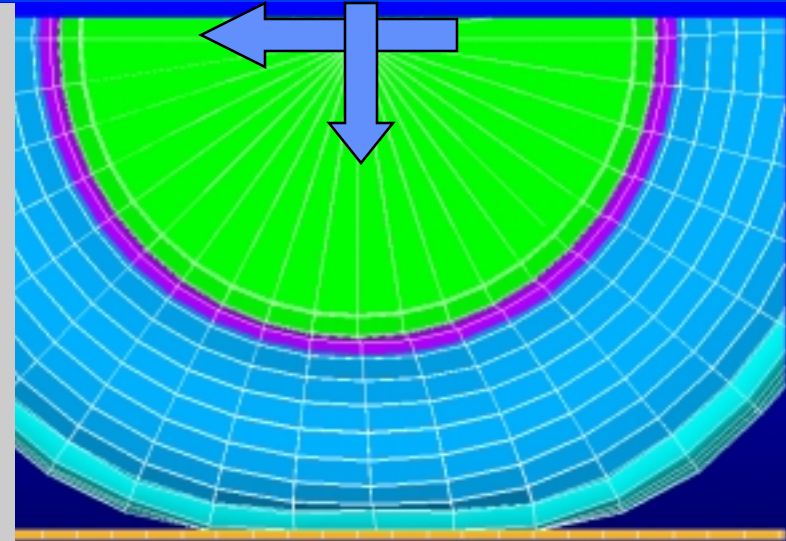
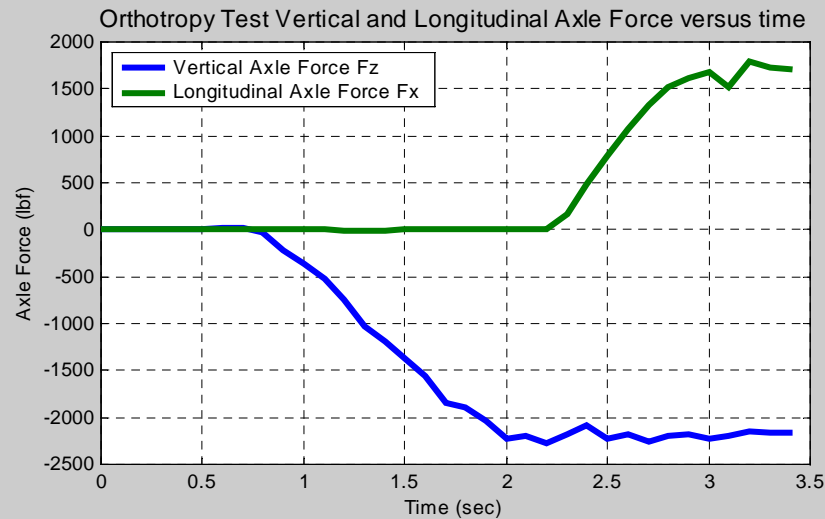
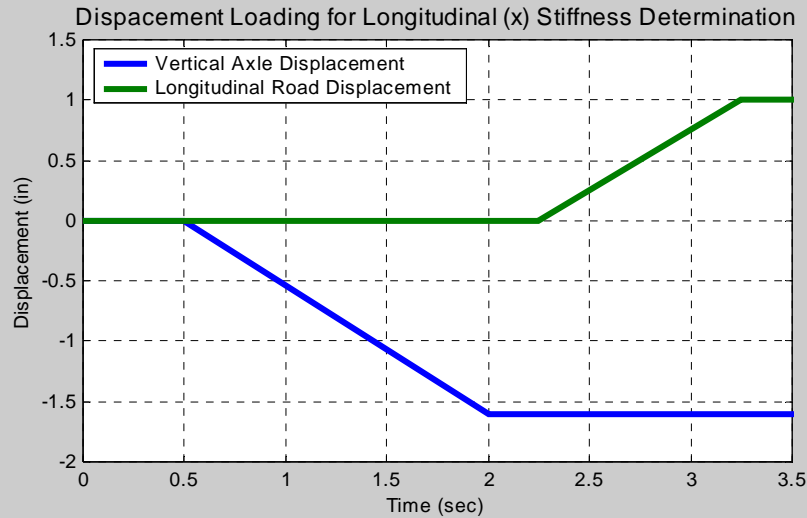
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ORTHOTROPY TEST CASE VERTICAL Z STIFFNESS TRY 2 4-19-01

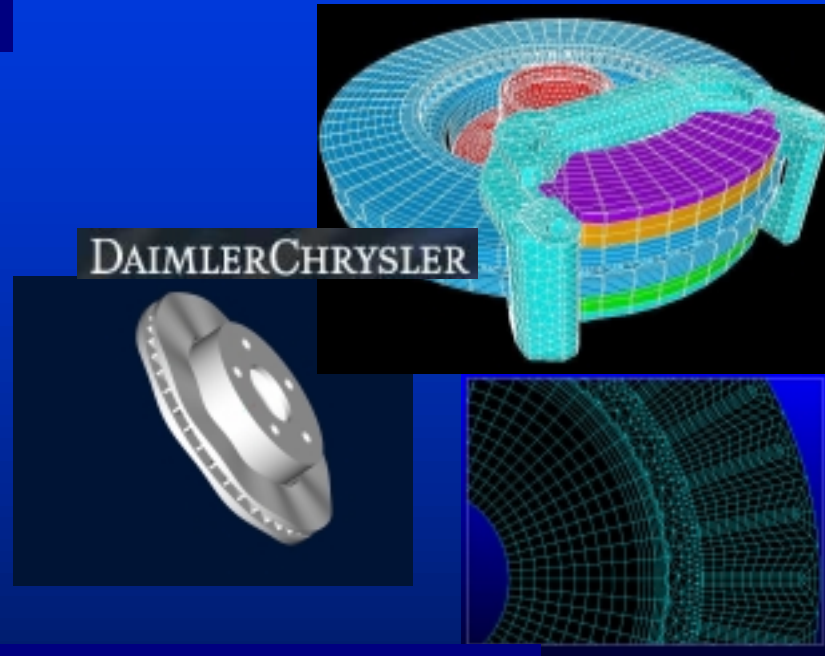
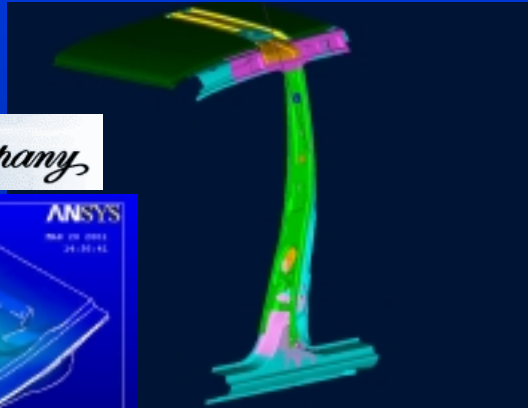
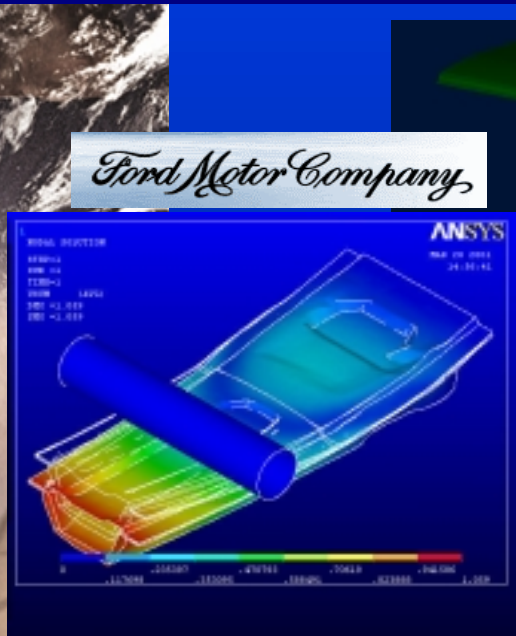
Vertical, Lateral & Longitudinal Stiffness determination



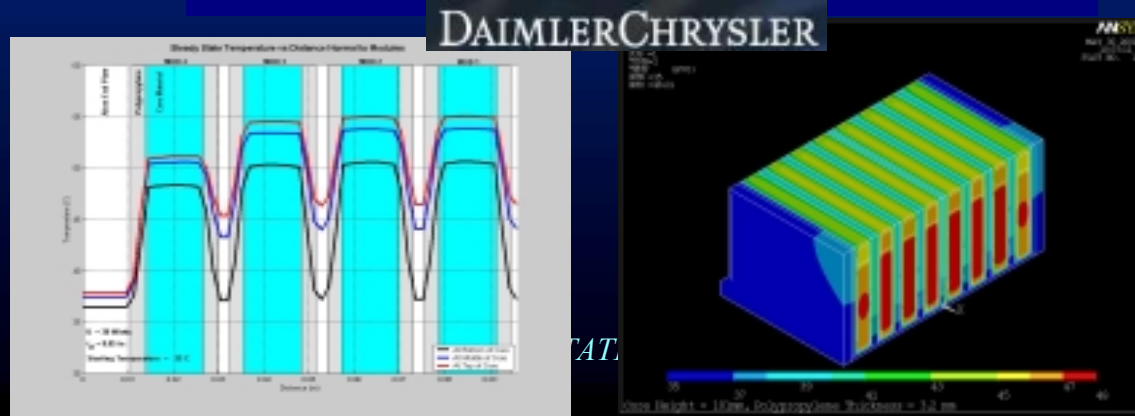
Other Recent DFV Applications

Alternatives in brake system cooling

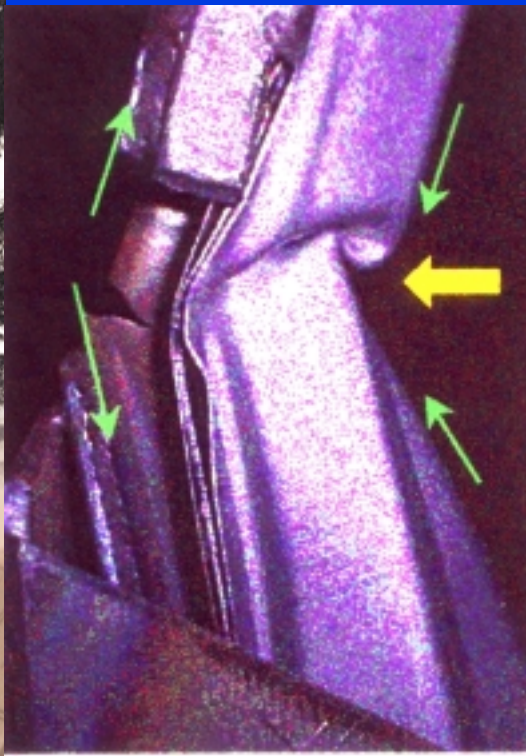
Use of Aluminum in vehicle structural components



Battery thermal management strategies



Structural foam Applications for Side-impact Crashworthiness



B-pillar
location



No Foam

Collapse by
local buckling

With Foam

Local buckling
prevented



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B – Pillar experiments with and without foam



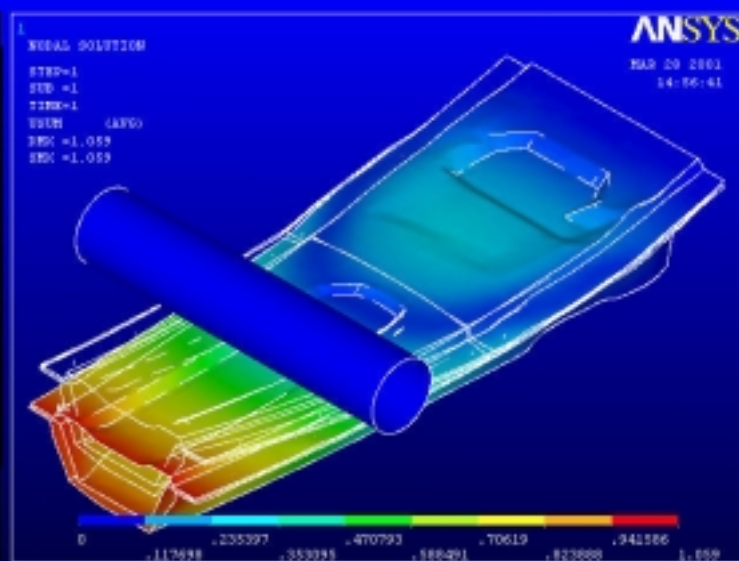
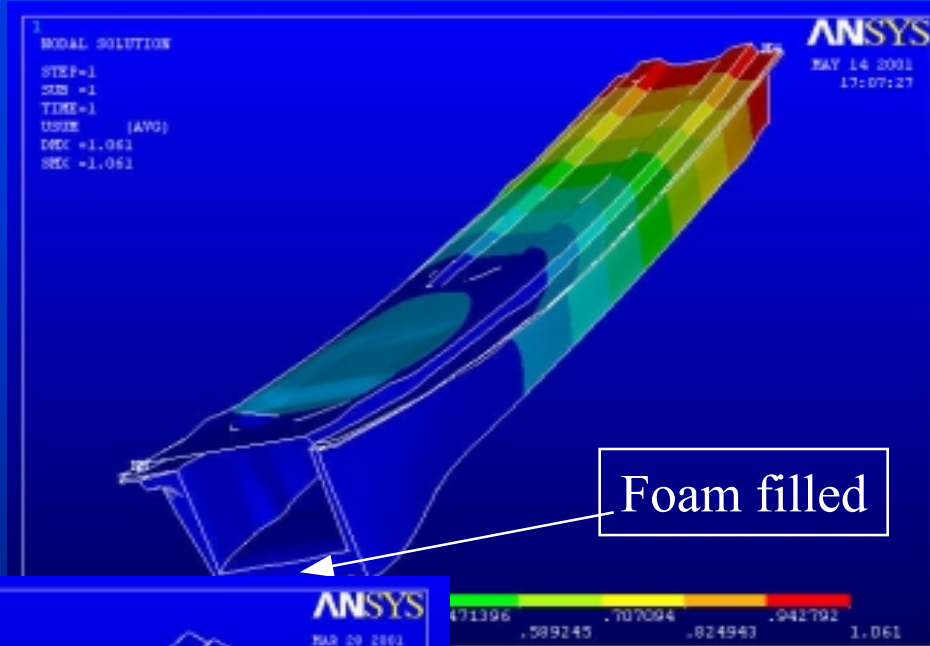
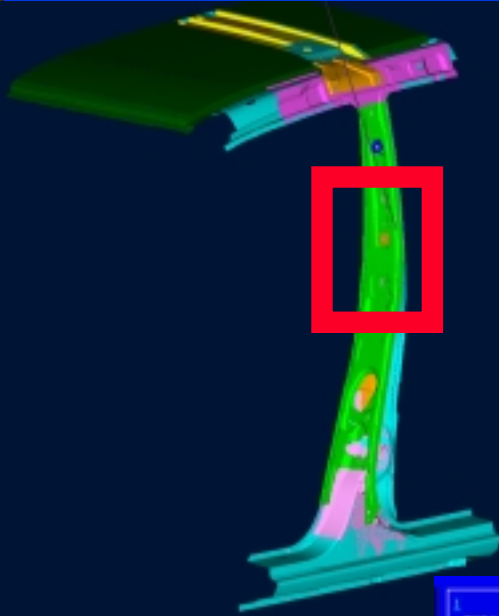
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Auto Body Weight Reduction with Modular Aluminum Components Partially Filled with Structural Foam

Industry Partner

Ford Motor Company

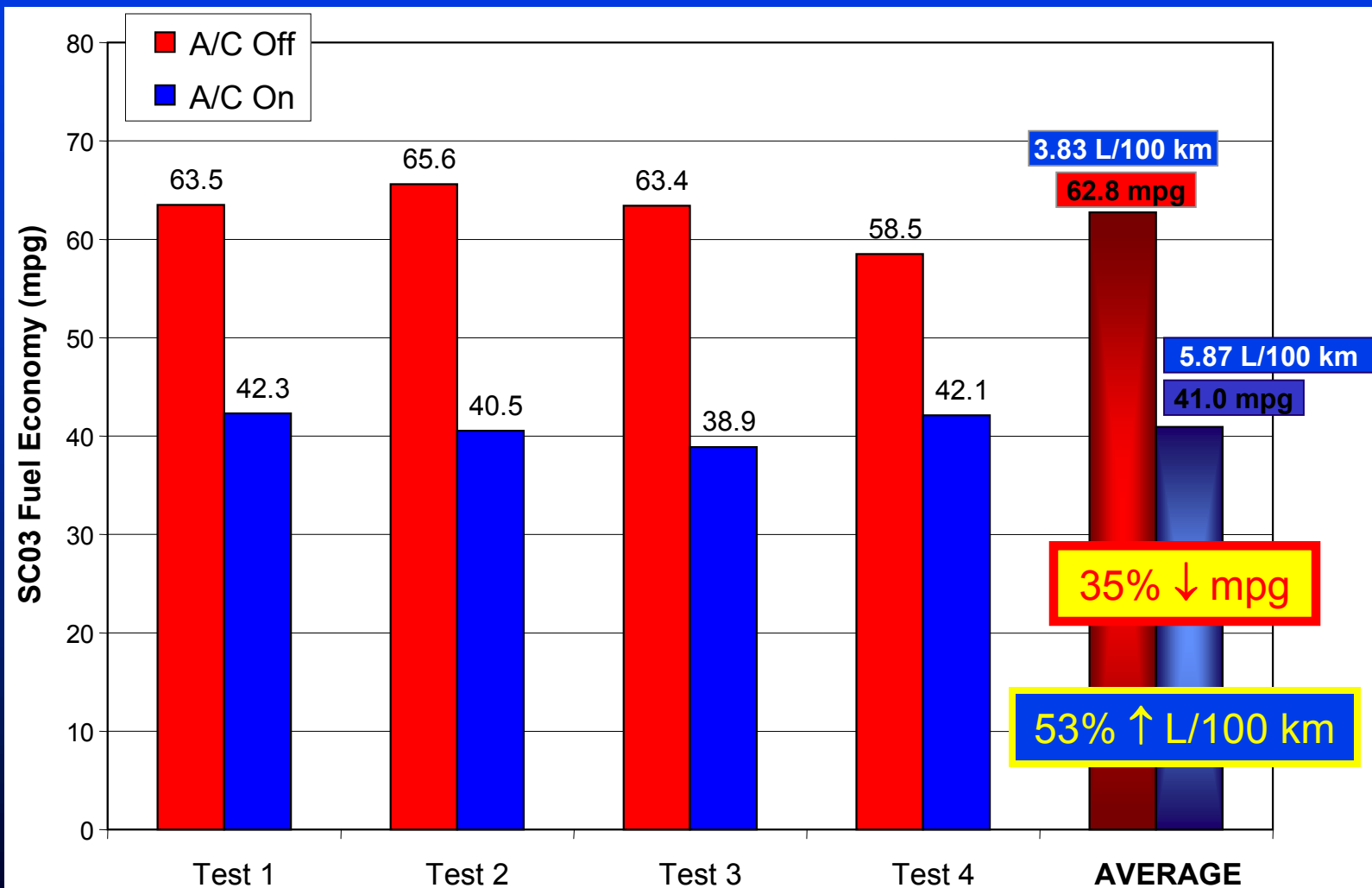


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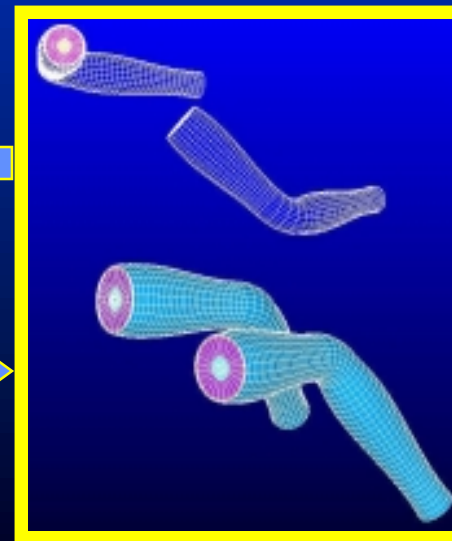
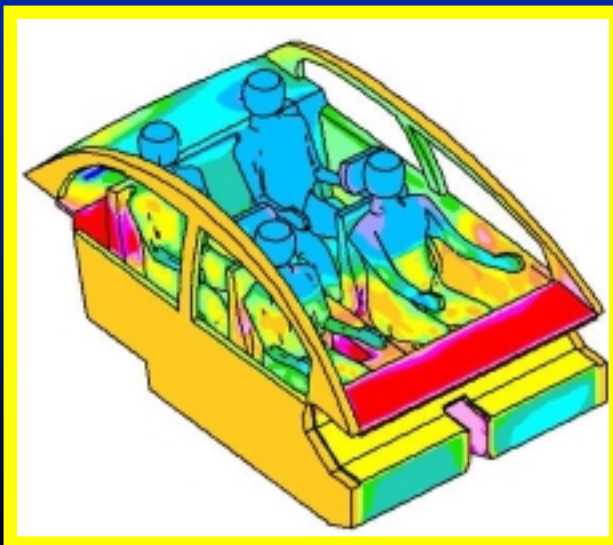


Need for Efficient Climate Control -- Honda Insight Prelim. Results



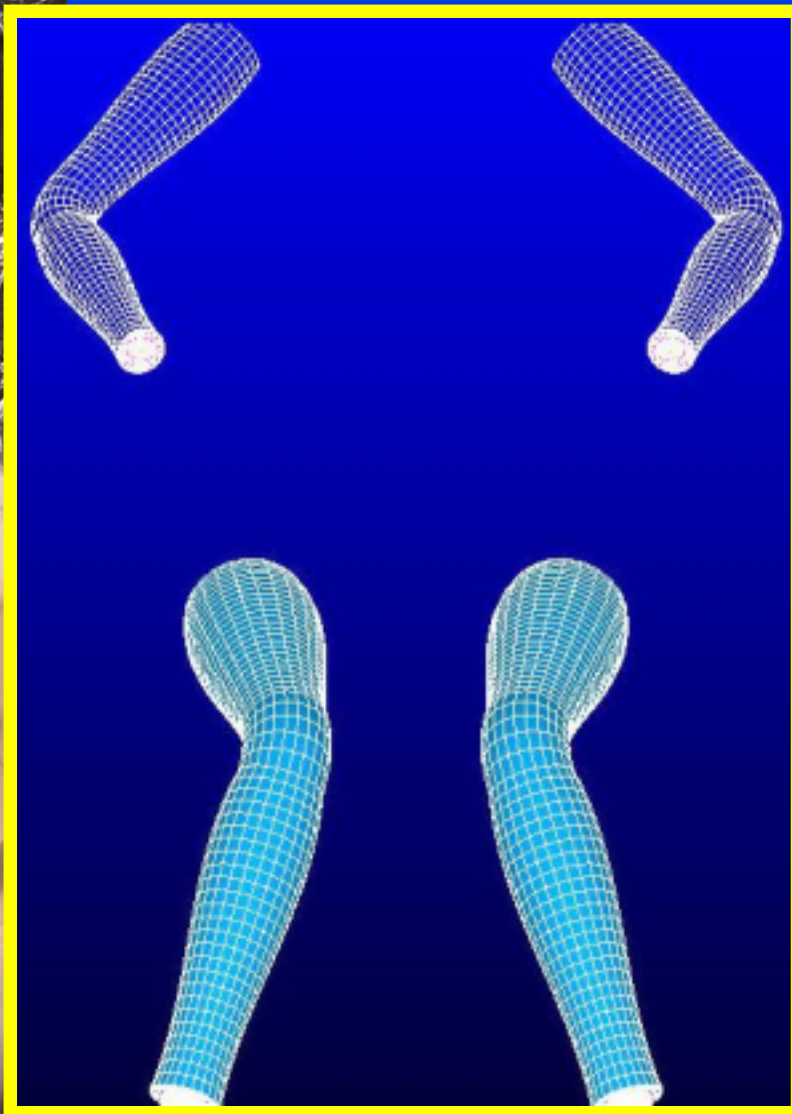
Integrated Modeling and Thermal Manikin for Predicting/Testing Occupant Thermal Comfort

- The Physiological Human Thermal FEA Model should be:
 - sufficiently detailed (anthropomorphic) to interact with cabin CFD models
 - sufficiently detailed to model the passive (tissues, bones, organs, ...) and the dynamically controlled systems (veins, arteries, heat generation, film coefficients, ...)
 - flexible enough to provide data to the thermal manikin

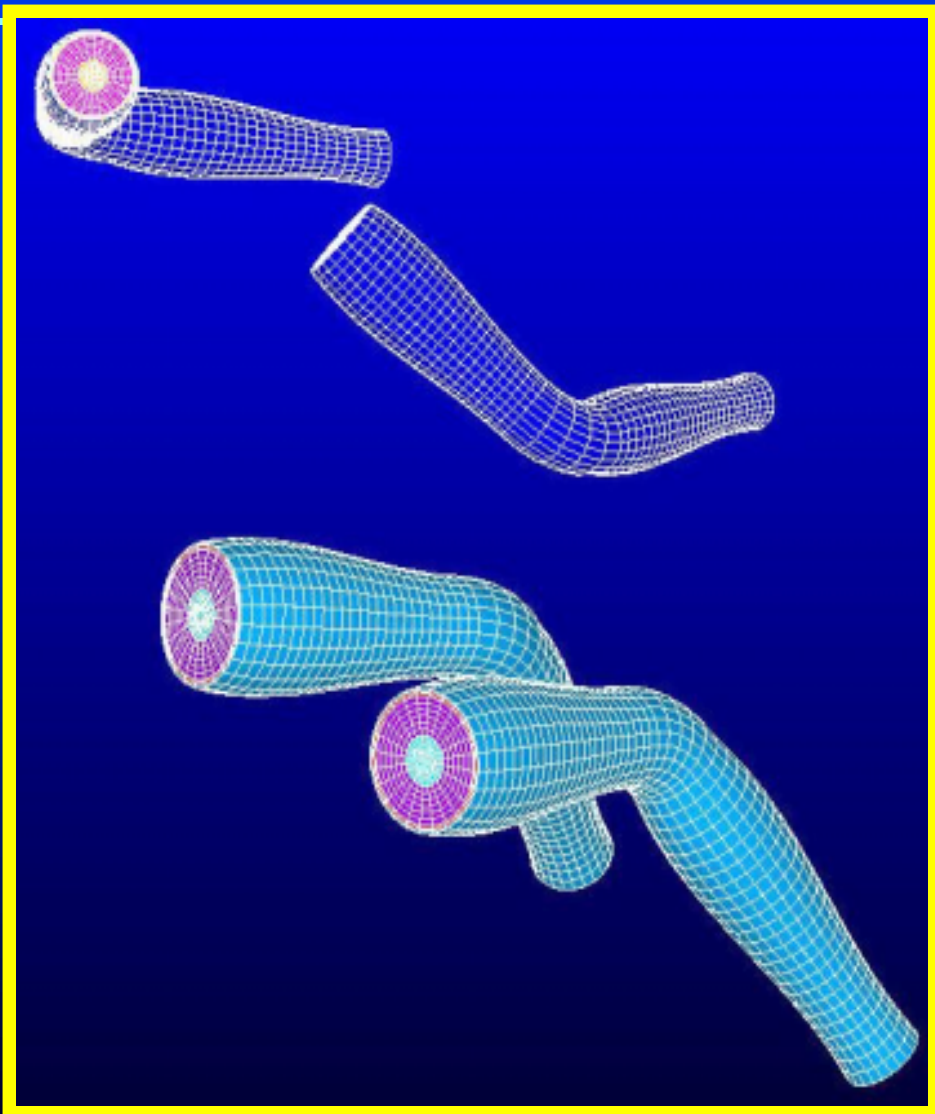


FEA model of lower & upper arms and legs

front view



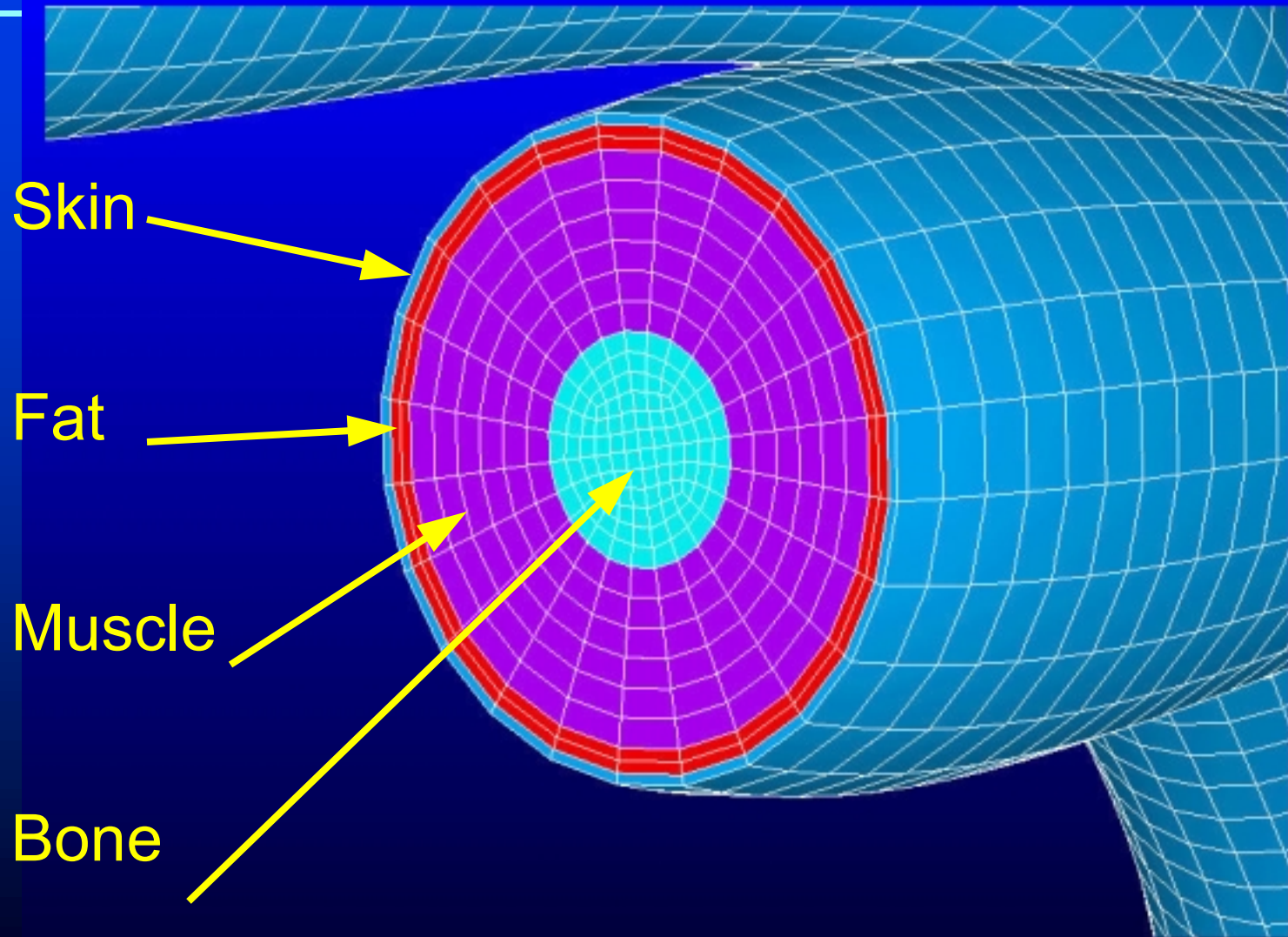
isometric view



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Section view of upper right leg's FEA model

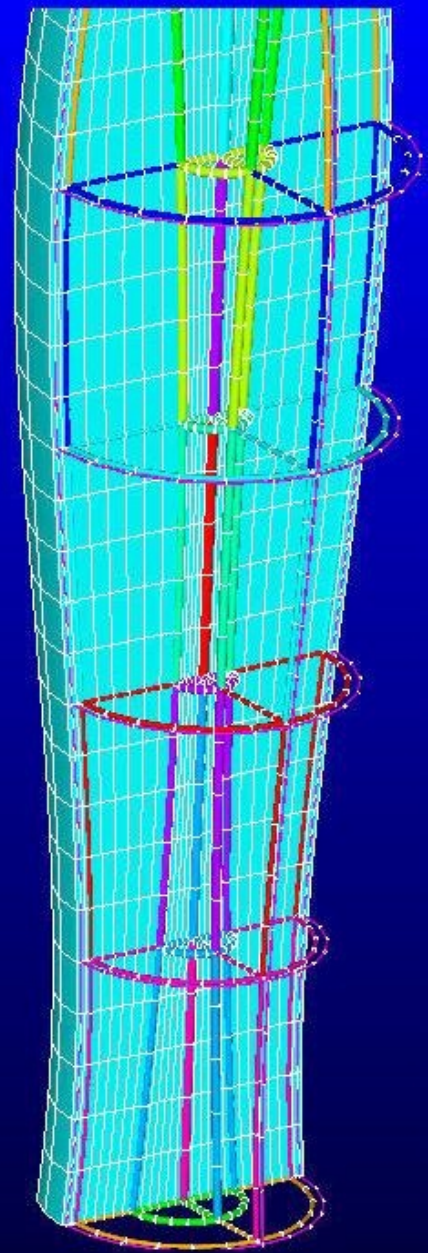


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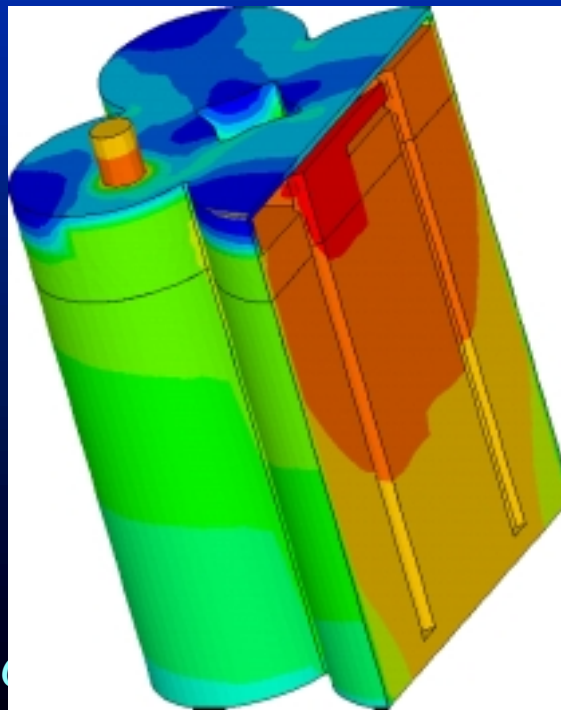
FEA model of the network of circular tubes at the lower leg

- Thermal-flow elements with the ability to conduct heat and transmit fluid between its two nodes
- Heat flow is due to the conduction within the fluid and the mass transport of the fluid
- Convection to the tissues is accounted with a film coefficient related to the fluid flow rate
- The cross-section of the elements may be adjusted at every time step to account for dilation or constriction



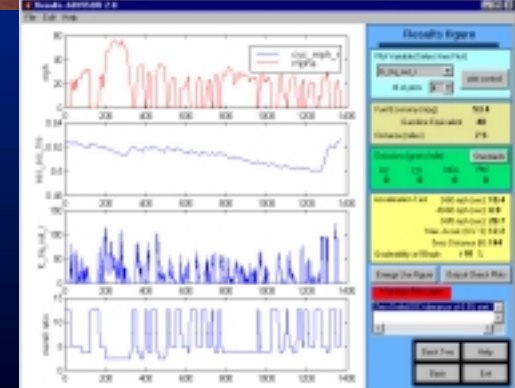
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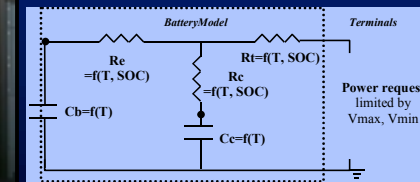
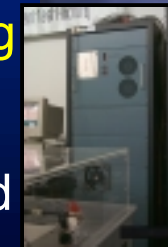
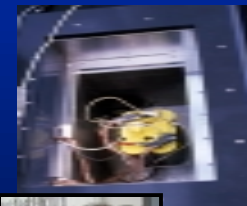
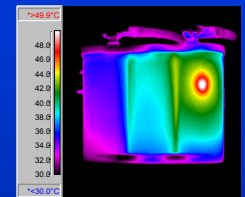
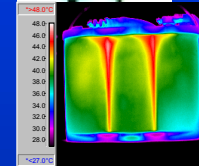
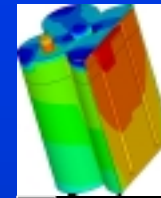
Battery Thermal Management: a Core Capability of the NREL's HEV Program

- Needs
 - Battery temperature affects vehicle performance
 - Battery thermal management is needed for achieving performance, life, safety
- Mission
 - supporting the DOE/OTT programs and industrial partners with thermal characterization, analysis, and performance modeling of batteries for improving performance, life, safety
- Focus
 - Thermal characterization and evaluation and cells, modules, and packs
 - Developing validated performance and thermal models for ADVISOR vehicle simulator



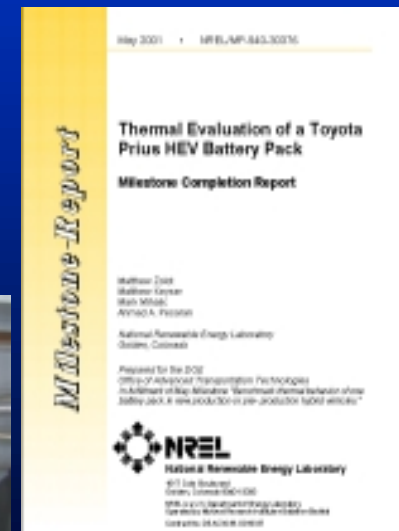
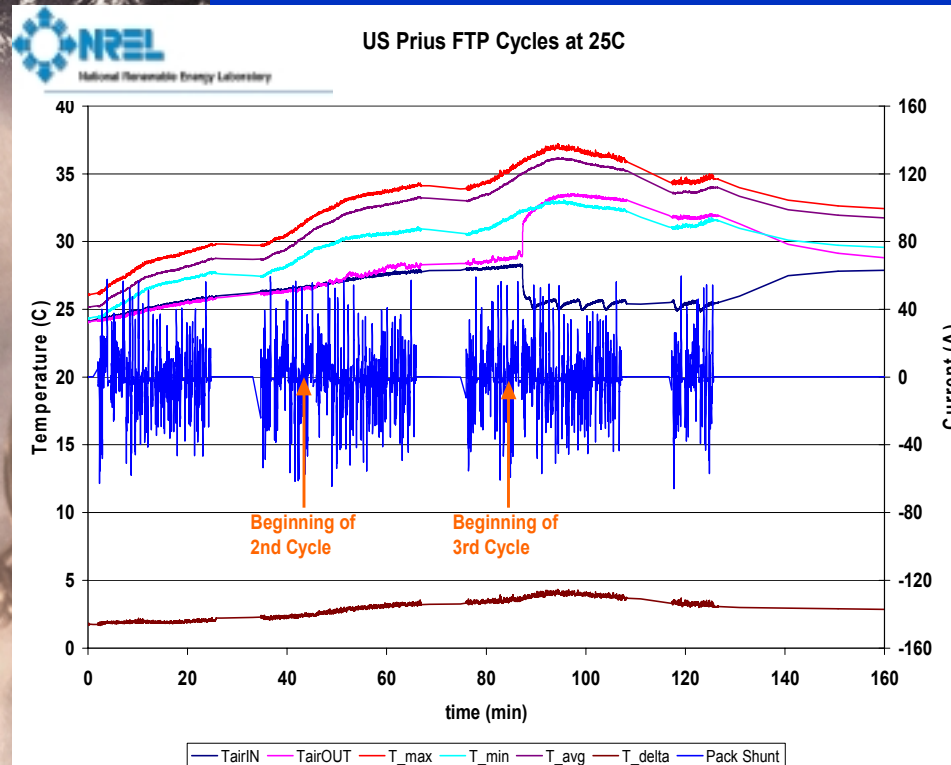
Multi-Dimensioned Approach for Battery Thermal Management at NREL

- **Thermal analysis** (CAD) for proper design, evaluation, and packaging of battery modules/packs
- **Thermal imaging** for evaluation and diagnostics of battery modules
- **Fluid and heat transfer experiments** for uniform temperature distribution and low parasitic power designs in battery packs
- **Calorimeter/cyclers** for measuring module heat generation and heat capacity
- Module cyclers for validated **battery modeling** for vehicle simulations
- Pack cyclers for **benchmarking** prototype and production battery packs



Benchmarking: Battery Thermal Management Systems in HEVs

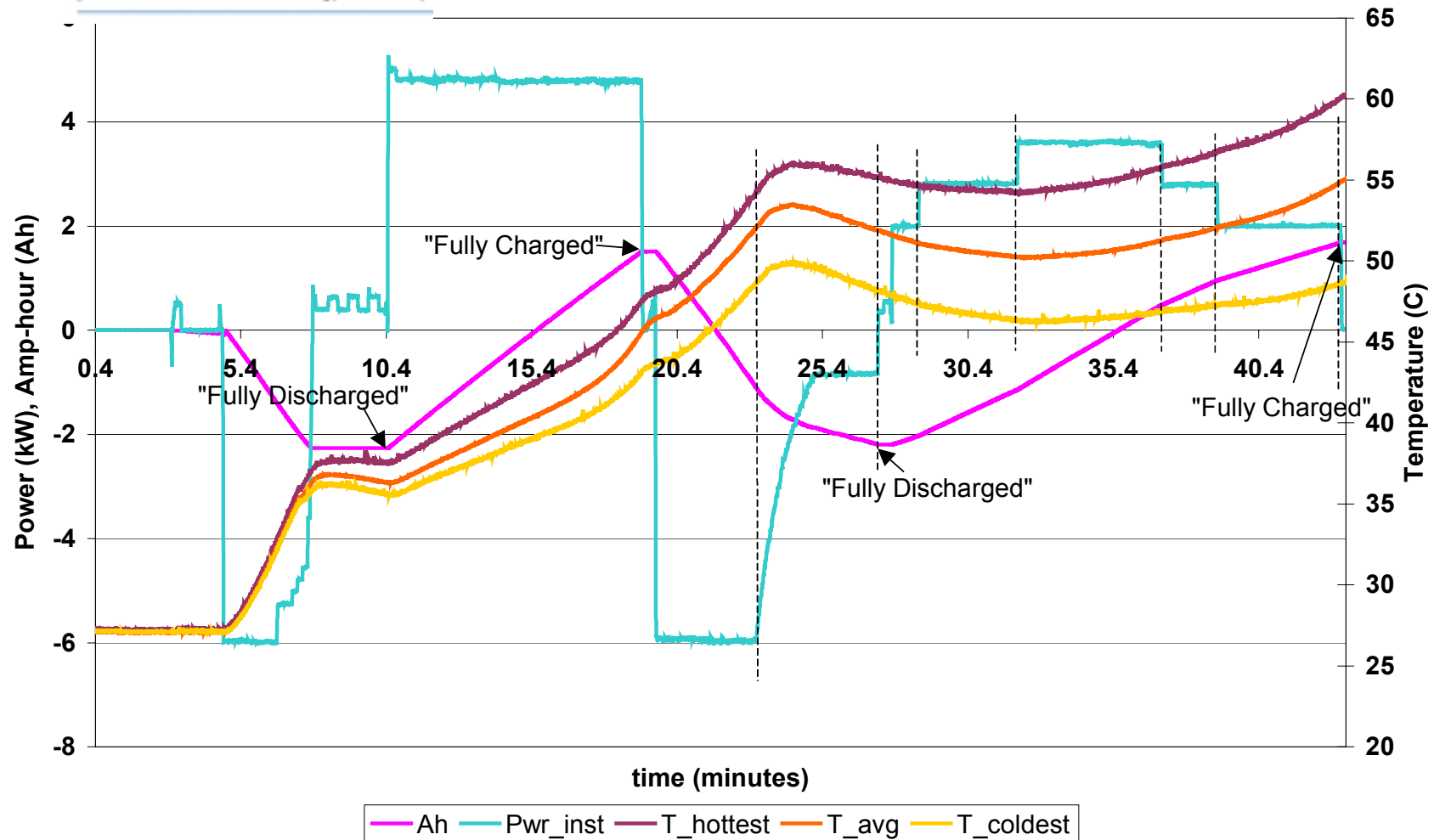
- Tested the Prius pack (out-of-the-vehicle) under various driving cycles and temperatures.
- Prius battery thermal management works well under most conditions, but its temperature distribution could be improved.



System-Level Energy and Thermal Management is Essential to Protect Batteries



Honda Insight, Charge/Discharge Test

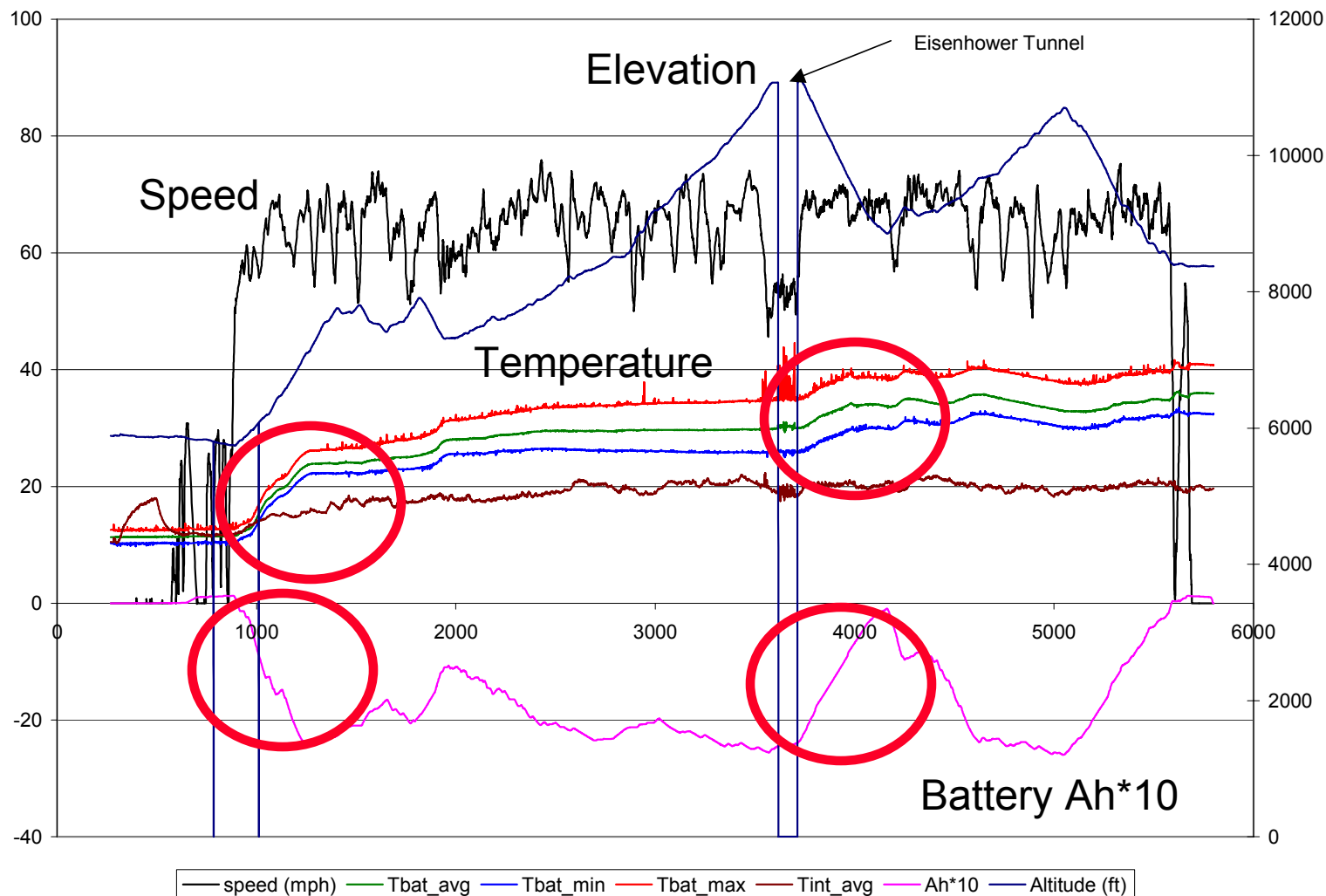


Insight Test Data

On Road Driving - NREL to VAIL

Vehicle Speed (mph)

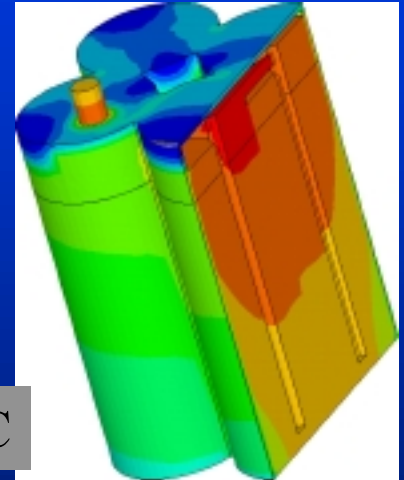
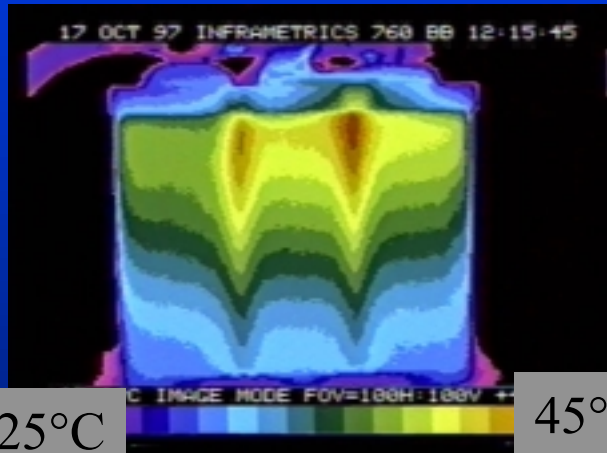
Elevation (ft)



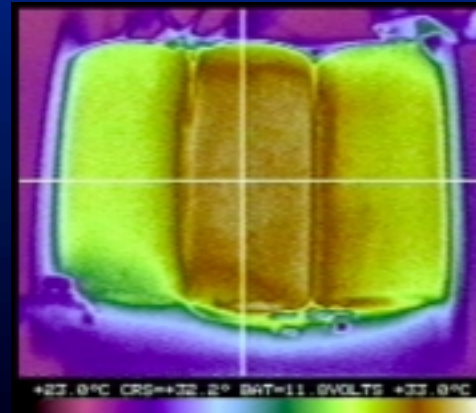
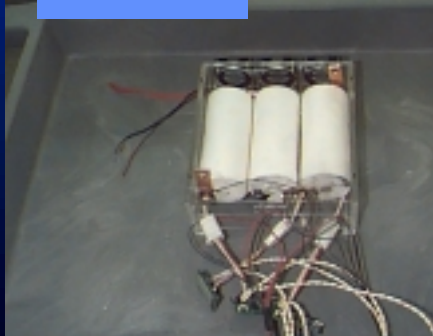
Thermal Imaging: Temperature Distribution is Dictated by Module/Cell Design

Factors: aspect ratio, # of cells, geometry, thermal conductivity, location of terminals, current density

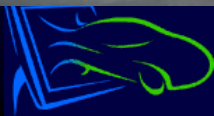
Case 1



Case 2



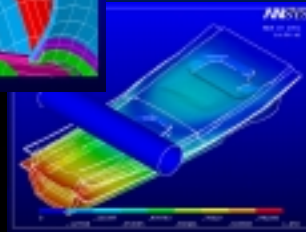
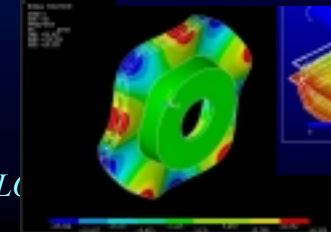
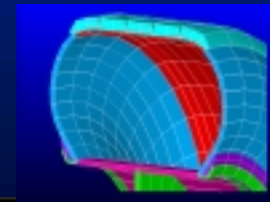
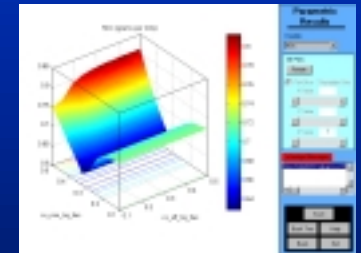
Only 2°C
Difference



Summary:

Highlights of Vehicle Systems Analysis

- *EVALUATION and ANALYSIS:*
 - ADVISOR a general vehicle systems analysis tool applicable to any type of vehicles (NEV to Class 8 trucks)
 - Thermal evaluation/testing of batteries essential
 - Thermal comfort of vehicle occupants critical to mission success
- *OPTIMIZATION:*
 - Once systems level tool are linked together, optimization can be wrapped around tools to obtain a better system level solution
- *COLLABORATION WITH INDUSTRY:*
 - Digital Functional Vehicle Projects are helping make energy impacts visible in industry analysis
 - energy focus
 - process oriented



Questions



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